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FOREWORD

For Prayer—As you read, pray for the work of our Conference. It has been said many times that the genius of this organization is in its volunteer leadership. Turn to pages 7-9 and read the names of the women who serve in the Woman's Division, the Jurisdiction, and the Conference. Now leaf through the roster of local presidents of Woman's Societies and Guild Units. Remember all of these in prayer. Through the year make use of these directory pages in your work.

For Study—This REPORT provides an account of the year's achievements in Louisiana Conference Woman's Society. Read the proceedings of the executive committee meetings and the Journal of the Annual Meeting found on pages 28-70. Study the officers' reports and recommendations, pages 71-104. May the Recommendations be taken from the book and made to live in the program of each Society and Guild. Use the workers' reports, pages 104-113, to inform the women about the projects of the Woman's Division in Louisiana. Be informed regarding the Constitution and By-Laws, pages 113-121. Changes in this area were made at the last Annual Meeting. Set aside at least one meeting of your society to study this book and report same on the perforated half-sheet on page 135.

For Program—Committees on Program will find resource material in this book. Adapt it to meet the needs of your group.

For Reference—This REPORT is to be kept through the year and used for reference. It should be studied again and again until it becomes a tool well used in advancing the work of the Woman's Society in your church.

M. R. W.

DEDICATION

TO VIRGINIA DAVIS LASKEY

Who through the Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ has by deep humility, beautiful consecration, and wise churchmanship, served faithfully as a leader in Local, District, Conference, Jurisdiction and the Woman's Division of The Woman's Society of Christian Service, we lovingly dedicate this volume.

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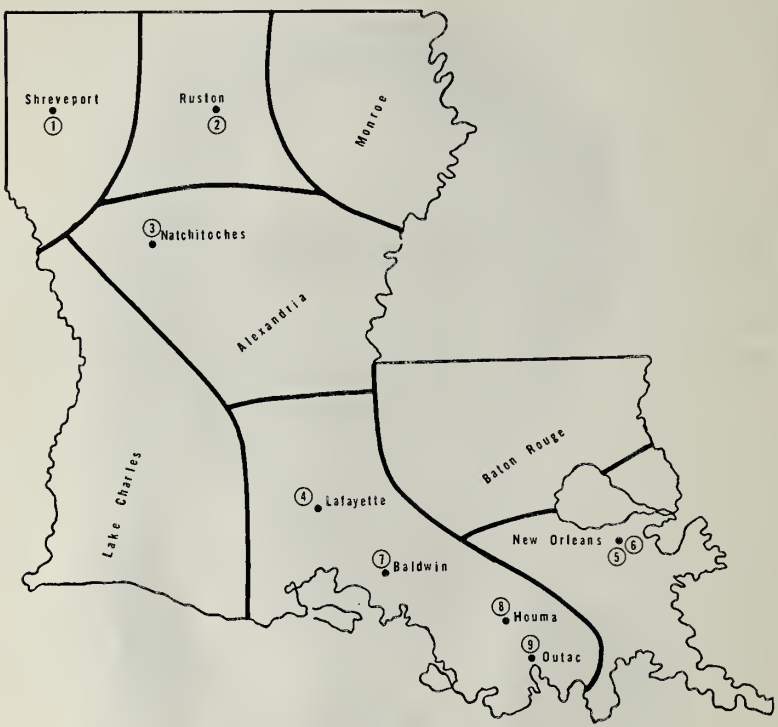
1959-1960



① Social Welfare and Medical Work—Business Girls' Inn

② Educational Institutions—Methodist Student Center, LPI

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④ Educational Institutions—Methodist Student Center, SLI

⑤ Urban Work—St. Mark's Community Center

⑥ Urban Work—People's Community Center

⑦ Educational Institutions—Sager-Brown Home and Godman School

⑧ Town and Country Work—MacDonell Methodist Center

⑨ Town and Country Work—Dulac Indian Center

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1941—Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport, April 29-May 1.
1942—Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, April 14-16.
1943—First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 30-April 1.
1944—First Methodist Church, Crowley, March 28-30.
1945—No Annual Meeting, Executive Meeting only.
1946—First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 19-21.
1947—First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, April 8-10.
1948—First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 16-18.
1949—First Methodist Church, Alexandria, March 22-24.
1950—Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, March 28-30.
1951—First Methodist Church, Monroe, October 23-24.
1952—First Methodist Church, Lafayette, March 18-19.
1953—University Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 17-19.
1954—Rayne Memorial Methodist Church, New Orleans, March 24-26.
1955—First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, March 18-20.
1956—First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 2-4.
1957—First Methodist Church, Alexandria, March 13-15.
1958—First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 18-20.
1959—First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 4-6.

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Lafayette, First Church ..... Mrs. Marjorie Holloway, 142 Clark Court
Opelousas ..... Mrs. Louis Soileau, 224 Natches Blvd.
New Iberia ..... Mrs. John A. Trotter, P. O. Box 235
Rayne ..... Mrs. Inza Curtis, 311 E. North St.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Miss Dorothy Bengtson, District Secretary, 611 E. Center DeQuincy
Miss Grace Lawson, Recording Secretary, Welsh
Mrs. Ray Cooley, Chairman, Spiritual Life, 407 LeBlanc, DeQuincy
Mrs. Byron Rowland, Chairman, Missionary Education, Box 686, Lake Charles
Mrs. Jesse Knight, Chairman, Christian Social Relations, 327 E. May Jennings
Miss Laura Lynch, Supply Work, 100 W. North, Leesville
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First Church, Vera See Unit ..... Miss Peggy Roberts, 905 Iris
First Church, Julia Reid Unit, ... Miss Helen Wentz, 828 Clarence
University ..... Mrs. Bessie Gibson, 2506 Elm St.
Simpson ..... Mrs. Charles Allen, 2152 Evelyn
Westlake ..... Mrs. John A. Carver, 1225 Mathilda
Maplewood ..... Mrs. Maradee Lowery, 211 Quelqueshue
DeRidder:
First Church, Susie Jones Unit ..... Mrs. Lawrence Callahan 176-B Hillcrest
First Church, May Youngblood Unit ..... Mrs. Gertrude Kilman 408 W. First St.
Lake Arthur ..... Mrs. Jack Perkins
Leesville ..... Miss Maydele Whitman, 506 N. Sixth St.
Gueydan ..... Miss Mildred Curtis, Box 353
Jennings ..... Mrs. Maurice Buch, 310 Clara St.
Welsh ..... Mrs. Eva Stocking
DeQuincy, Aline Kroger Unit ..... Mrs. Donald J. Birtel, 316 1st St.
Vinton ..... Mrs. C. L. Simmons

MONROE DISTRICT

Mrs. J. B. Thompson, District Secretary, 1001 Mulberry St. Rayville
Mrs. Kay Russell, Recording Secretary, Lake Providence
Mrs. A. Miller, Chairman, Missionary Education, 304 Orange St. Monroe
Mrs. Irma Watson, Chairman, Christian Social Relations, 4207 Harrison St., Monroe
Chairman, Spiritual Life,
Monroe:
Memorial ..... Mrs. W. A. Cotton, 206 Gilbert
Southside ..... Mrs. Dorothy Elmendorf, 506 Moore St.
First Church, Unit No. 1 ..... Mrs. Lucile Wilkins, 609 Orange St.
First Church, Elizabeth Langford Unit ..... Mrs. Tom Guthrie
Tallulah ..... Mrs. A. M. Eisley, 501 N. Cendar
Mer Rouge ..... Mrs. Fred Moss
Rayville ..... Mrs. Lewis H. Hubbard, Jr., Box 746
Lake Providence ..... Mrs. Annie Rose Gilfoil
Columbia ..... Mrs. Winonah Lafferty, Rt. 1, Box 53
Oak Grove ..... Mrs. S. H. Campbell
Winnsboro ..... Mrs. Opal Jones
West Monroe, First ..... Mrs. H. J. Eyre, 1405 Cypress
Bastrop ..... Miss Marie Larance, 401 McCreight St.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Miss Mildred A. Evans, District Secretary, 2 Chatham Dr., New Orleans
Mrs. W. W. Wallace, Jr., Recording Secretary, 925 Independence St., New Orleans
Mrs. Willie Ray Jones, Chairman, Spiritual Life, 3523½ Camp St., New Orleans 15
Mrs. C. M. Foil, Jr., Chairman, Missionary Education, 416 Severn Ave., Metairie
Mrs. Xavia Giardina, Chairman, Christian Social Relations, 264 N. Robertson St., Apt. 4, New Orleans 16
Mrs. James Higgins, Chairman, Supply Work, 2434 St. Charles, Ave., New Orleans 15

New Orleans:
- Carrollton ..... Miss Lillian Gaines, 8212 Nelson St.
- Second ..... Mrs. W. W. Wallace, 925 Independence St.
- First ..... Mrs Elizabeth Beard, 3916 Iberville St.
- Gentilly ..... Mrs. Lillian Carlin, 5927 Arts St.
- Rayne Memorial ..... Mrs. Lucille Wells, 2015 Octavia St.
- Church of the Redeemer ..... Mrs. Mary Taylor, 2508 Eads St.
- St. Luke's ..... Miss Gloria Flurry, 806 Audubon St., Apt. A

Gretna ..... Mrs. Biehler, 429 Elmira Ave., New Orleans 14
Munholland ..... Mrs. L. W. Kimbell, Jr., 2935 Johnson St., Metairie
St. Matthew's ..... Mrs. M. C. Baldridge, 813 Haring Rd., Metairie
Slidell ..... Mrs. R. Helen Rugan, 2836 Front St.
Metairie ..... Mrs. C. M. Foil, Jr., 416 Severn Ave.
Covington ..... Mrs. John DiMaggio, Box 322

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Mrs. Earl Nugent, District Secretary, 606 N. Vienna St., Ruston
Mrs. C. C. Willingham, Recording Secretary, 407 North Minden St Ruston
Miss Ann Carolyn Davis, Chairman, Spiritual Life, 209 W. Georgia Ruston
Miss Ruby Craton, Chairman, Missionary Education, East and West St. Minden
Mrs. Norma Daye, Chairman, Supply Work, East and West St., Mnden

Arcadia ..... Mrs. Francis Lyons
Jonesboro ..... Miss Effie Smart, S. Allen Ave.
Haynesville ..... Mrs. C. L. Anglin
Homer ..... Mrs. Hazel Whatley, 902 N. Main St.
Farmerville ..... Miss Pearl Harris
Springhill ..... Mrs. Hubbard Boucher

Ruston:
- Grace ..... Mrs. Leroy DeFreese, 1613 S. Vienna St.
- Trinity ..... Miss Maggie Hinton, 408 N. Homer Rd.
- Virginia Laskey Unit ..... Miss Merle Burk, 703 W. Miss.

Minden, First ..... Mrs. Prentice Lowe, 116 Goode Ave.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Miss Hazel F. Cooper, District Secretary, 814 Cotton St., Shreveport
Miss Aileen Hyslop, Recording Secretary, 2627 Highland Ave. Shreveport
Mrs. B. E. Rodgers, Chairman, Spiritual Life, Plain Dealing
Mrs. Sybil Hale, Chairman Missionary Education, Logansport
Mrs. Dollie Brown, Chairman, Christian Social Relations, 2037 Elizabeth Shreveport

Benton ..... Mrs. Etta O'Riley
Coushatta ..... Mrs. John S. Wheat
Haughton ..... Mrs. John Lowery
Logansport ..... Mrs. A. D. McGlathery, Sr., Box 306

Mansfield ..... Mrs. Tommie Pierson, 725 Forest St.
Plain Dealing ..... Mrs. T. B. Barron
Shreveport:
Broadmoor ..... Mrs. H. W. Reily, 223 Leo St.
First Church I ..... Mrs. R. A. Baumgardner, 251 E. Ratcliff
Mangum Memorial I ..... Miss Sybil Kelly, 3008 Greenwood Rd.
Mangum Memorial II ..... Mrs. Ila Volentine, 1173 Dudley Dr.
Morningside ..... Mrs. Doyle Crittenden, 2625 Essex St.
Noel Memorial ..... Mrs. Eola Brewster, 342 Egan St.
Park Avenue ..... Mrs. Dale Brobst, 3833 Milton St.
Summer Grove ..... Mrs. Lucille Jones, 9065 Mansfield Rd.
Wynn ..... Mrs. James E. Carr, 3201 Boss St.
Zwolle ..... Mrs. W. E. Crutchfield
Greenwood ..... Mrs. Beverly Bell, Box 75

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 1959-1960 WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

(See May, 1959 **Methodist Woman** for more complete Calendar)

June

Committee on Guild Program meet and plan year's work with emphasis on recruitment.
Guild makes pledge and reports to treasurer of local society.
Treasurer local society reports total pledge to district promotion Secretary and district Treasurer.
Jurisdiction Guild Week-end, Mt. Sequoyah, June 19-21.
Jurisdiction School of Missions, Mt. Sequoyah, June 22-27.

July

Guild Week-end July 17-19.
Guild Treasurer's first quarterly report due Society Treasurer, July 20.
Local Society Treasurer's first quarterly report due District Treasurer July 25.

August

Send student information cards to Wesley Foundation Directors, August 1.
District Treasurer's first quarterly report due Conference Treasurer August 5.
School of Missions, Centenary College, August 17-21.

September

Guild Coaching Conference and Mid-Year Executive meeting September 19-20, Alexandria.
District Missionary Education Seminars.
Treasurer and Secretary of Promotion promote use of My World Bank.
Order material for Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

October

Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting September 30, October 1-2, Natchitoches
District Guild Coaching and Workshops
Guild Treasurer's second quarterly report due Society Treasurer October 20.
Guild and Woman's Society observe United Nations Day, October 24.

Local Society's Treasurer send second quarterly report to District Treasurer October 25.
Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, October 24-30.

November

District Treasurer's second quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, November 5.

December

Cooperate in church wide observance of Human Rights Day, December 10.
Cooperate in plans for Student Recognition Day, December 27.
Guild and Woman's Society make final plans for observing Wesleyan Service Guild month.

January

Wesleyan Service Guild Month—make known its purpose and program.
Cooperate in plans for Youth and Children's Missionary Units
Guild Treasurer's quarterly report due Society Treasurer, January 20.
Local Society Treasurer's third quarterly report due District Treasurer January 25.
Order Twentieth Annual Report, Woman's Division of Christian Service.

February

Jurisdiction Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
District Treasurer's third quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, February 5.
Guild and Woman's Society election of officers and nominating committee.
Elect delegates to Annual Meeting.

March

Participate in World Day of Prayer, March 4.
Send list of local officers to District Secretary of Promotion.
Annual Meeting of Woman's Society of Christian Service, March 14-17, 1960, Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport.
Annual Meeting Wesleyan Service Guild, March 18-19, Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport.

April

Easter Sunday, April 17.
Pledges paid in full.
Annual Meeting of Districts.
Guild Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due Society Treasurer, April 25.

May

Local Society Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due District Treasurer, May 1.
District Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, May 10.
Pledge Service for new year.
Install officers.
All Guilds and local Societies reports mailed to District Officers not later than May 31st.
All Guild reports due Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild on or before June 1st.
Annual report from all Workers, Conference Officers and District Secretaries of Promotion due the Recording Secretary of the Conference, June 10.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SUPPLY WORK ASKINGS

Home Field **1959-1960** **Foreign Field**

Askings: $6,272.44 **Asking: $4,700.00**

ALEXANDRIA

Sager-Brown Home
Baldwin, La.
Mexico
Durango, Centro MacDonell

Wesley Foundation, L. P. I.
Box 34, Tech Sta., Ruston, La.
Africa
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

BATON ROUGE

Dulac Indian Center
Box 1150, Dulac, La.
Mexico
Durango Centro MacDonell

Wesley Foundation, S. L. I.
Box 220, Lafayette, La.
South East Asia
Phillipines, Undesignated

Sager-Brown Home
Baldwin, La.
Mexico
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

LAFAYETTE

St. Mark's Community Center
1130 N. Rampart St.,
New Orleans, La.
India
South India Conf., Kolar-Ellen T. Cowen Memorial Hospital

MacDonell Methodist Center
P. O. Box 270, Houma, La.
South East Asia
Philippines, Undesignated

LAKE CHARLES

Dulac Indian Center
Box 1150, Dulac, La.
Mexico
Durango Centro MacDonell

St. Mark's Community Center
1130 N. Rampart St., New Orleans
South East Asia
Philippines, Undesignated

People's Methodist Community Center
2019 Simon Bolivar Ave.,
New Orleans, La.
Africa
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

MONROE

Dulac Indian Center
Box 1150, Dulac, La.
South East Asia
Philippines, Undesignated

Wesley Foundation, L. P. I.
Box 34, Tech Sta., Ruston, La.
Japan-Tokyo
Aeyama Gakuen

Sager-Brown Home
Baldwin, La.
Africa
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

NEW ORLEANS

MacDonell Methodist Center
P. O. Box 270, Houma, La.
India
Kolar-Ellen T. Cowen Memorial Hospital

Sager-Brown Home
Baldwin, La.
Mexico
Durango, Centro MacDonell
Africa
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

RUSTON

Dulac Indian Center
P. O. Box 1150, Dulac, La.
Africa
Belgian Congo, Katake Kombe

MacDonell Methodist Center
P. O. Box 270, Houma, La.

SHREVEPORT

St. Mark's Community Center
1130 N. Rampart St.,
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Each Society has been assigned a definite share of the cash Askings for its District. Give to the Institutions assigned to your Society before doing other Supply Work. Each Society is asked to do some Home and some Foreign Supply Work each quarter.

CALLED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING—
CENTENARY COLLEGE, August 11, 1958

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service met in James Dormitory on Centenary College campus at 8:30 p. m., August 11, 1958 with thirty-one members present.

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, president, called the meeting to order and led the devotional on the topic, "Fruits of the Spirit," concluding with prayer.

New members of the committee were welcomed. Communications were read by the secretary.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, chairman of Constitution and By-Laws Committee, asked that suggestions for any changes or additions to By-Laws be sent to her before the mid-year meeting. She also reported that the Louisiana Rural Advisory Committee had been organized and is scheduled to meet during Pastors' School. A report of this Committee will be given at the mid-year meeting.

Mrs. Wideman Watson, chairman of School of Missions Committee, announced tentative date for the school as Aug. 10-14, 1959 and Aug. 15-19, 1960.

Chairman of Annual Report Committee, Mrs. Whitaker, presented the 1957-58 Annual Report. It was suggested that Vice-President and Secretary of Promotion Clinics show how the Report book might be used best in the local society. Changes in Directory are to be noted at the mid-year meeting.

Chairman of Annual Meeting Program, Mrs. G. W. Dameron, told of tentative plans for the Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge, March 3-8, 1959.

Mrs. Robley Davis, Secretary of Missionary Service, circulated among the group "The Missionary Minute"—a news sheet, giving information about certain of our Louisiana workers on the mission field. Similar news sheets are to be given out at Seminar meetings in September and at the Annual District Meetings in April. It was suggested that Mrs. McSween report at the mid-year meeting on the advisability of circulating such a news sheet by mailing to each local society.

The president announced that Miss Ann Adams would be leaving Northwestern State College as Student Counselor to open up new work at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Robert Tatum will succeed Miss Adams, beginning December 1, 1958.

Mrs. Watson, editor of the Conference News Sheet, suggested that the sheet be mailed out again with the "Call Letter" to the Annual Meeting. The matter of regular mailing of the sheet will be considered at the mid-year meeting.

Mrs. Dameron, Dean of the School of Missions, moved that Seminar funds which have accumulated through the years be used to supplement expenses of the School of Missions, if needed. Seconded and carried. The amount reported in the Seminar fund by Mrs. Lambert is $214.10.

The president called on Mrs. Laskey to report for the committee which was set up to implement the Resolution from the Ruston District, regarding the removal of Louisiana Conference Woman's Society signature from the Charter of Racial Policies. She reported that the committee had referred the matter to the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church and that the commitee had been advised that the Council could not give an opinion on such a matter. The various phases of the Resolution were reviewed and discussed. The secretary was called upon to read the following from the Annual Report of 1952-1953:

Page 36 reads "Mrs. Chas. Goldthwait, secretary of Christian Social Relations, read recommendations from her department, which were approved for submission to the Conference.

Page 42-43 "Additional recommendations approved by the Executive Committee, were read by the secretary, as follows: THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONOS RECOMMENDS:

"2. That the Charter of Racial Policies, adopted by the Woman's Division, appearing in the April 1952, **Methodist Woman,** and approved by the Executive Committee, be recommended to local societies for study to the end that they adopt it in the local group."

(On page 65 of the above mentioned Report "A Charter of Racial Policies" is printed along with the Recommendations of the secretary of Christian Social Relations.)

Mrs. G. W. Dameron moved that the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service express an interpretative opinion that the Charter of Racial Policies was approved by the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, but was not approved by the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at its Annual Meeting in March, 1953. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy that in view of the above opinion, the Woman's Division of Christian Service be requested to take steps to indicate that only the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service ratified the Charter of Racial Policies. Seconded and carried.

A request from Miss Helen Johnson was read, asking that the Conference Director of Youth Work be invited to be an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee, without vote. Mrs. Whitaker moved that the president appoint a committee to bring a recommendation regarding this matter to the mid-year meeting. Seconded and carried. Mrs. C. R. McCammon, Mrs. McSween and Mrs. Pomeroy were named.

The president appointed Mesdames McGowan, Tidwell, Laskey and McSween to report on the swimming pool project for MacDonell Methodist Center at the October meeting.

Mrs. Kilpatrick announced the following meetings: Mid-Year Meeting of Conference Executive Committee at Opelousas on Oct. 8-9; Annual Meeting, March 3-8, 1959 at First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge; Convocation at Kansas City, Missouri, April 7-9, 1959.

Mrs. Tebow announced that Mrs. W. B. Landrum would be available to itinerate in the conference for the district meetings, April 13-24. Mrs. Laskey moved that Mrs. Landrum be invited to the district meetings. Seconded and carried.

The president appointed Mrs. C. C. Dethloff and Mrs. A. H. Harper as the committee to review the minutes of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer of dismissal given by the president.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. L. B. KILPATRICK
President

MRS. JAMES C. WHITAKER
Recording Secretary

Approved:

Mrs. C. C. Dethloff
Mrs. A. H. Harper

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Louisiana Conference

Louisiana Memorial Methodist Church, Opelousas, Louisiana

October 8-9, 1958

The Executive Committee, Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, convened at 2 p.m. on October 8, 1958 in the very beautiful and worshipful Sanctuary of Louisiana Memorial Methodist Church, Opelousas, Louisiana.

Hymn 118, "O Master, Workman of the Race" was sung, followed with prayer by Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Conference President. Using as the Scripture lesson Matthew 27:15-26, the Reverend Richard Walton, host pastor, gave the meditation. His message challenged everyone to follow Christ in the face of the spread of Communism, racial tensions, and materialism.

A cordial welcome was extended to the Committee by Miss Claire McKinnon, president of the hostess society.

Roll call by the secretary showed the following members to be absent: Mesdames G. W. Pomeroy, R. R. Cahal, Robley Davis, W. W. Paxton, Lee Tidwell, A. O. Buckingham, Kenneth Trumps, J. B. Mouton, Sr., A. J. Ensminger, Carl Sorrells and George Grafton. Communications were read from Mesdames Cahal, Ensminger and Davis, expressing regret over not being able to attend. Special words of greeting from Mrs. C. F. Goldthwait, former member of the Committee, were brought by Mrs. Sam Dunbar. The president appointed Mrs. Dunbar and the secretary to send messages to absent members.

The president welcomed new members, Mrs. S. E. Richardson and Mrs. W. W. Hyde, treasurer of the Alexandria and Baton Rouge Districts respectively. Directory changes were noted on mineographed sheets, distributed by the secretary. In addition, the president announced Mrs. G. W. Dameron as chairman of the Tour Committee, which is composed of Mesdames Dameron, C. R. McCammon, C. B. McGowan, Glenn E. Laskey, Charles Giessen, P. D. Lambert and Miss Louise Sharp. Particular mention was made of those who will serve on the Ruston District Rural Advisory Sub-Committee, a new committee set up to study the need for a worker in the Ruston District. Members of the Committee are Mrs. Virgil Morris, the Reverend L. E. Douglas, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Mrs. L. K. Wells, Mrs. L. D. McGhee and the Reverend Loyd Williams.

Minutes of the Called Session were approved as circularized. Mrs. C. W. Tebow and Mrs. L. C. Aycock were appointed to the Journal Committee. Mrs. Dunbar and Mrs. Wideman Watson were named to the Committee on Resolutions, with Mrs. Dunbar as chairman.

Dates were announced for School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah, June 22-27, 1959 and at Centenary College, August 10-14, 1959; United Church Women, March 19-20, 1959 at First Methodist Church, Shreveport.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, member of the Woman's Division reported. She spoke of the cooperative planning which is going on in the church among the various Boards in order that a united approach might be made to problems facing the Church. She told of the cooperative work done at the Conference on Christian Social Relations which she had attended at Mt. Sequoyah in July. Practical and theoretical aspects to social problems were discussed in the Workshop which she led. In September,

Mrs. Laskey attended the meeting of the Woman's Division. Miss Anna Givens, formerly of Lafayette, Louisiana, now serves as associate secretary of Foreign Work in the Division. Mrs. Porter Brown is the new treasurer of the Woman's Division. She spoke of the evaluation of the Fifth Assembly. Leadership training in districts will be stressed. Changes in the by-laws will be made at the January meeting of the Division. Mrs. J. Fount Tillman's trip to Africa revealed that Africa is wide open for missionary work, with money available but scarcity of workers. The new pattern in the School of Missions program for the next two years will be two hour clinics and no workshops; also, a Bible hour will be scheduled for the morning session. Finances of the Division show an increase of 3.71 percent; a decrease of 2.52 percent for Week of Prayer; an increase of 4.04 percent in Supply giving. The over-all per capita giving for 1957-58 was $5.69. There will be new mission work opened up in Costa Rica and it is hoped that a School of Nursing in a Methodist Hospital in this country will be begun in the near future. Approximately $800,000 have been given to the MYFund. At the time of unification this fund amounted to $82,000. She announced that a different percent of MYFund allocated to the Division will be worked out at the next General Conference. The action of the Louisiana Conference Executive Committee in regard to the Charter of Racial Policy will be printed in the Christian Social Relations pages of **Methodist Woman** magazine some time in the next few months. She told of the three months intensive study which will be made of the organizational set-up of the Woman's Division. This will be carried on by a firm of experts.

A cordial welcome was extended to Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader upon her arrival. She expressed joy at being able to attend. Her husband was also presented. Miss Louise Sharp, conference director of Youth Work of the Board of Education, was welcomed by the president.

Mrs. Sam Dunbar, Jurisdiction Secretary of Supply Work, reported that she had taught in a School of Missions in another conference and had visited a number of institutions of work outside the state.

The president announced that local society presidents have voting privilege at district conference, whereas the conference president does not have voting privilege at the Annual Conference. Legislation regarding the latter is being considered, Mrs. Laskey announced.

Dismissal for coffee hour in the church parlor was in order.

The committee convened again in the Sanctuary with Mrs. Dunbar offering the prayer.

A letter was read from Mrs. Trudy Pinder, nurse at the School of Missions, of the past summer. She was high in her praise of the school and wrote interestingly of her work at Cookson Hills Center in Oklahoma.

Vice-President, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy's report was read by the secretary. She continues to hear good results from the Workshops on Promotion held over the conference. The presence of the Annual Meeting in Monroe last March strengthened the work of the Monroe District. She attended the Annual Meeting of the United Church Women in Lafayette last March. Serving as a Discussion Leader at the Fifth Assembly in St. Louis will be remembered as a high point. The Workshop on the Work of the Woman's Division was another enriching opportunity. District Vice-Presidents have been written each period and two mailings have been sent to each society in the conference. Increasing number of reports and marked improvement in quality of program planning have been noted.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. McSween, reported for the first quarter of 1958-59:

Balance May 20, 1958	$ 3,915.33
Additions	33,078.03
	$36,993.36
Disbursements	25,246.08
Balance	$11,747.28
Disbursements:	
Woman's Division	21,838.89
Conference Cultivation	2,810.57
La. Moral and Civic Fdn.	596.62
	$25,246.08

Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Sue Batton reported that eighteen members of the Guild attended Jurisdiction Guild Weekend at Mt. Sequoyah in June Miss Batton and the chairmen of three lines of work attended the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah the following week. One hundred fifty-seven members attended the Guild Weekend at Camp Brewer in July. Thirty-two Guild members attended the Clinic of the Conference School of Missions at Centenary College in August. Lake Charles District has been re-organized with a district secretary and chairmen of all lines of work elected. There has been a new Guild unit organized in that district. There have been four new Guilds organized in the Conference. The total amount paid the first quarter on appropriations was $3,467.77. The Annual Coaching Conference, September 13-14, was held in Alexandria with all officers except one being present. Miss Batton stated that she had assisted in several training conferences in the districts and had spoken a number of times on the Fifth Assembly.

Mrs. McSween requested that all district treasurers send a copy of their reports to Miss Sue Batton.

Status of Women, Mrs. F. E. Kennon reported that there were 218 secretaries of Status of Women with 167 reporting. District Officers make good reports to her and exhibit much enthusiasm for the work.

Secretary of Promotion, Mrs. C. W. Tebow stated that the Workshops on Promotion held throughout the conference had proved of inestimable value to local groups. She expressed appreciation for the privilege of attending the Fifth Assembly and of the joy she had had in speaking before groups about the Assembly. She emphasized that the membership of societies needs to grow and stressed that the officers work dilligently on this matter. She announced that Mrs. W. B. Landrum would not be able to itinerate in the conference for the annual district meetings. April 12-24, 1959 was announced as the period for district meetings. Miss Elsie Reik was suggested as the speaker and Mrs. Tebow authorized to wire her, extending the invitation.

Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. P. D. Lambert stated that twenty-five Woman's Society and Guild officers attended the Jurisdiction School of Missions, earning 24 credits. The Conference School of Missions had eight classes of the four approved studies with 332 enrolled and 307 credits. Eleven clinics had 248 local secretaries receiving training in their lines of work. 181 women participated in the "Group Experience" led by Mrs. Pomeroy. 1,077 women attended the eight seminars held in the conference, representing 207 societies and Guilds. The studies for 1959-60 are:

Foreign ..... Africa

Home ..... The Church's Mission in Town and Country

Christian Social Relations ..... The Role of United Nations in World Affairs

Bible ..... Luke

For 1957-58 there were 363 classes receiving Jurisdiction Recognition, an increase of 74; 52 Efficiency classes; 463 others, making a total of 878 classes with 12,433 members. On August 18, 1958 Mrs. Lambert sent to Mrs. McSween, Treasurer, $214.10, the balance on hand for the School of Missions. A balance of $47.19 is in the Seminar Fund. The pattern of attendance to the 1959 School of Missions is as follows: President, Vice-President, secretaries of Missionary Education, Missionary Service, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life, Wesleyan Service Guild, Promotion, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and secretary of Supply Work.

The Committee adjourned for dinner which was served in the Social Hall of the Church.

The Reverend Walton offered the thanks. A very delicious meal served by the May McKinnon Circle was enjoyed. Mrs. Kilpatrick presented Mrs. John Dowling, Miss Claire McKinnon and Mr. C. N. Cadwallader to the group.

Wednesday Evening

The session convened in the Sanctuary with the singing of Hymn 259, "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee," followed with prayer by Mrs. Cadwallader.

Secretary of Missionary Service, Mrs. Robley Davis was absent. Her report was given by Mrs. Lambert. She wrote that "The Missionary Minute" was an attempt to meet the need to get news of workers to the local groups. This news sheet was distributed at the School of Missions and at Seminars but every Society did not receive it. She told of remembering each worker's birthday with a card or note and plans are being made for a newsy letter to accompany a Christmas message to each. Mrs. Davis is continuing the fine Scrap Book which was begun by her predecessor, Mrs. Lonnie Clark. Miss Carrie Lena Myrick, a US-2 from Jamestown, Louisiana, is now serving at the Bethlehem Center in Memphis, Tennessee and Miss Hughla Joy Brand is a new US-2 assigned to MacDonell Methodist Center as of August 31. She stated that our good wishes would follow Miss Lelia Marie Robinson who has left Sager-Brown and is now at Bethlehem Center, Fort Worth, Texas.

Secretary of Christian Socal Relations, Mrs. M. R. Tatum reported that the emphasis of her department is the "protection of the family." She announced that dates for the Jurisdiction Conference on Christian Social Relations would be July 26-31, 1959. Louisiana Conference ranked second in the Jurisdiction in percentage reporting in Christian Social Relations. Women are promoting the study "Understanding Other Cultures." Plans are being made to observe United Nations Day, October 24 and the UNICEF "Trick or Treat" program. New Orleans has UNICEF organized on a city-wide basis. Cards are available from the United Nations for one dollar per box. The profit goes to UNICEF. December 10 is Human Rights Day. Women over the conference are continuing to support the work of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation with their contributions and interest in the publication of the LMCF. The Reverend Charles Flurry, the youth worker of the organization, has spoken to a number of youth groups in the high schools of the state. "Talk Back T.V. Series" sponsored by the National Council

of Churches was announced. Many letters regarding support of Mutual Aid and Reciprocal Trade have been written by women of local societies. Reports indicate that women are cooperating with United Church Women, League of Women Voters, Youth Commission of Louisiana and other agencies to make our communities more Christian. Dates of importance announced were: School of Alcohol Studies, Green Lake, Wisconsin, Oct. 8-15, 1958; National Conference on Family Life, Chicago, Illinois, Oct. 17-19, 1958; Eighth National Assembly of United Church Women, Oct. 27-30, 1958, Denver Colorado; National Industrial Relations Conference, Oct. 30-31, 1958, Cincinnati, Ohio; United Nations Co-operative Seminar, Nov. 3-8, 1958, New York; National Seminar, July 21-31, 1959 at Bennett College, N. C.; National Methodist Conference on Human Relations, Sept. 1-4, 1959, SMU, Dallas, Texas.

It was stated that the president of the conference Woman's Society is a voting member of the state meeting of United Church Women. Mrs. Laskey moved that an alternate for Mrs. Kilpatrick be elected and that, if she has official standing, she be an official delegate along with Mrs. Kilpatrick. Motion carried. Mrs. M. R. Tatum was elected the alternate.

Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. Charles Giessen reported that as a new officer she had spent the four months in getting acquainted with the personnel connected with student work in the state. She was impressed with the necessity of cooperative work with the secretaries of Youth Work and Missionary Personnel. Personal letters and one form letter have been mailed to each district secretary. The college campus is one of the most challenging mission fields open to us today, she stated.

Secretary of Youth Work, Mrs. C. R. McCammon spoke of the rewarding privilege of attending the Jurisdiction School of Missions at the beginning of her term of office. A number of local secretares attended the clinic at the conference School of Missions. The goal of closer contact with the local secretaries, to assist them in their work, is being pursued. Working with Miss Louise Sharp of the Conference Board of Education will help to unify the work of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. She stated that she had assisted in the reorganization of one sub-district Methodist Youth Fellowship and had taught in a leadership training school of the sub-district.

Conference Director of Youth Work, Miss Louise Sharp spoke of the cooperative plans in youth work. She stated that youth do not know of the needs in church-related vocations. 150 young people were reached last year in Christian Career Clinics. The Youth Council of the conference will meet in November to plan the over-all program for youth for the year. Mrs. McCammon who serves as advisor in the program area of Christian Outreach is a member of this planning group. The **Youth Planbook** was presented and mention made of the many possibilities for mission study in the youth program. Youth Assembly at Centenary College will be June 8-12, 1959. Missionary education of youth has brought about an increase in the giving to the MYFund, which has been approximately $8,000 for each of the past three years in the Louisiana Conference. The amount should be more. There will be held in the conference a Youth School of Alcohol Studies in cooperation with the Conference Board of Temperance. The National Convocation of Methodist Youth will be August 24-28, 1959. There is the ever present need of more and better trained adult workers with youth.

Secretary of Missionary Personnel, Mrs. G. W. Dameron stated that the clinic at the Jurisdiction School of Missions answered many of her questions. Further help came from the Conference School of Missions as she shared with those who attended her clinic. Each District Secretary has been sent a specially prepared packet of materials designed to

give her additional information about church-related vocations and the process by which an interested youth may be guided into the one best suited to his abilities. Lists of activities and procedures have also been furnished district secretaries There is need for more information about young people who have expressed an interest in church-related vocations, she stated. Mrs. Dameron listed the needs in the matter of recruitment as follows: 1. A more coordinated plan for securing the names of youth and a continual process of planned as well as spontaneous cultivation. 2. The preparation of a master file of such names to be kept in some central office or by some designated person. 3. Better plans, promotion, and evaluation of Christian Career Clinics. 4. A plan for reporting Christian Career Clinics to the Conference Secretary of Missionary Personnel. 5. A functioning Committee on Christian Vocations in the local church, where the heart of the recruitment program lies. At present there are 44 names of college age young people in the files and additional information will be secured as to their status in relationship to the vocation which they have in mind. "Basic in the missionary movement is the recognition that God depends on us to provide the persons who will go out in his name to carry the Gospel."

Mrs. Kilpatrick announced that Mrs. Dameron would serve as Dean of the Jurisdiction School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah in June, 1959.

Secretary of Literature and Publications, Mrs. Watson expressed gratitude for attending the Fifth Assembly and the Jurisdiction School of Missions. A number of secretaries attended the clinic which she conducted at the School of Missions. Reports show some improvement. New Orleans District is ahead with new subscriptions to **Methodist Woman** and **World Outlook.** Week of Prayer packets have been mailed to all local Spiritual Life secretaries of the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild. The amount of literature sold at the various meetings during the year amounted to $2,392.04.

Secretary of Supply Work, Mrs. McGowan stated that the askings for Supply Work for 1958-59 for the conference are $5,956.45 for the Home Field and $4,673.00 for the Foreign Field. St. Mark's Camp is still in great need of our help. The coupons which were given last year for the camp project amounted to $120.46 in cash. More coupons are needed. Circulars listing the products from which to get coupons were passed out to the committee members. She reported that there had been great interest in giving for supply work at the "Christmas in July" parties. She expects that all Christmas needs will be met with either cash gifts or personal gifts. The per capita for the past year was $1.12 for Supply Work. This is a decrease. It is hoped that the difference is reflected in an increase in the pledge for missions. New Orleans District is the only district reporting 100 percent at the present time.

Mrs. Laskey spoke on action from study of the Middle East. She said that the money given as a result of study would go to home economics projects in institutions around the world for training girls in home-making. The gifts will be sent in "undesignated."

The President, Mrs. Kilpatrick gave her report. She stated that she had attended the Jurisdiction and Conference Schools of Missions and conducted the president's clinic at the Conference School of Missions. She expressed appreciation for the privilege of attending the Fifth Assembly and for the offering of $1,009.88 which Louisiana women sent for missions to the Assembly. She reported having attended board meetings at MacDonell, Dulac, Methodist Children's Home and Business Girls' Inn. Many committee meetings have been attended. Each of these has been an opportunity to learn more of the different phases of the program of work. The Jurisdictional Board of Missions was particularly inspirational. Such speakers as the Reverend Edward

Jager, an A-3 returning from his term of service in Liberia; Dr. Gould from Alaska and Dr. Tracy Jones, executive secretary to Southeast Asia, were heard. Only four young people from our conference attended this meeting, while we might have had eight. Mrs. Kilpatrick urged that each district send a youth delegate to the Conference on Missions during the third week of August in 1959. She told of the large candle toward which our conference had made a contribution. Its beautiful glow gave inspiration to the entire Conference on Missions. Each missionary and deaconess, who sent a used candle to make up the large one, included a statement of her or his life and work. These statements had been compiled in scrap books according to countries. "I have felt the inspiration of being a part of the great fellowship of Methodists around the world" were words of summary in the president's report.

Mrs. Kilpatrick requested that the secretary investigate the matter of having stationery printed showing names of officers and secretaries. Second sheets will be printed without names. The usual letterhead type of stationery will be used by district officers.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer of dismissal.

Thursday Morning—October 9, 1958

The Executive Committee reconvened in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. with Miss Claire McKinnon, president of the hostess society, leading the very meaningful morning meditation.

Mrs. Laskey conducted a discussion on the Consultation on Communication held at Gulfside.

Words of welcome were extended to Mrs. W. W. Paxton who had arrived for the meeting, and to the pastor-host.

Committees were announced and the members adjourned for coffee which was served in the church parlor.

Following the coffee hour, committees met in designated rooms of the church.

A delicious luncheon was served in the Social Hall with the Edna Harper Circle as hostesses. The grace at the table was given by Mr. C. N. Cadwallader.

Thursday Afternoon

The committee assembled in the Sanctuary with Mrs. Kilpatrick leading in prayer.

Chairman of Research, Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader spoke again of her joy in being with the Committee. She expressed appreciation for the Eighteenth Annual Report being dedicated to her. She stated that the new features of the Annual Report added to its effectiveness as a tool.

Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. Paxton told of her full and enriching schedule, having taught in three conference Schools of Missions and two district seminars. All district secretaries have been contacted personally or by correspondence. Numbers of letters have been answered concerning prayer groups. A letter will go out during the next Report Period giving suggestions for "Christ in Christmas."

School of Missions Committee, Mrs. Lambert reported that

(1) Secretary of Promotion will check expense accounts before approving same for payment. Officers must meet all requirements before subsidies will be paid.

(2) A fee of two dollars will be charged to those who attend the school one day or part of a day.

(3) Plans will be worked out for mimeograph work to be done for classes, before or during the school.

(4) A Nursery will be set up and supported. Two dollars must be paid for each child who attends. The fee is to be paid by the church from which the child comes.

(5) An arrangement will be made for the sale of newspapers, cards and coffee at the school.

(6) Each district Guild officer within the pattern will receive subsidy the same as Woman's Society officers.

(7) District officers will be named as hostesses for teachers and other guests during the school.

(8) Varied techniques will be used for worship in the Assembly at school.

(9) Worship settings will be arranged for the twelve programs of the year.

(10) Mrs. B. F. Patterson, Jr. will be assistant Dean, Mrs. L. K. Wells, pianist, and Mrs. Eloi Girard, song leader.

(11) Registration fee will be $4.00.

Mrs. Paxton moved the adoption of the above report. It was seconded and carried.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee, Mrs. Laskey, Chairman, submitted a report, which was adopted. See Journal, pages 63-66. Article I, Section 3, (f) which states "At this same meeting, the Conference Society shall nominate three women for membership on the Board of Missions and forward the names at once to the Jurisdiction Woman's Society," was passed at the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Kilpatrick reported on a telephone conversation with the Reverend Jolly Harper, Dean of Pastors' School. She stated that the dates for the School of Missions for the Conference would be August 17-21, a date contrary to that understood by the committee. The secretary was instructed to write the Reverend Harper, President Joe J. Mickle and Dr. Bentley Sloane, regarding the change of dates.

Mrs. Laskey reported on the meeting of the Louisiana Rural Advisory Committee which met during Pastors' School. She stated that there were fine reports on the work of Miss Shiela Nuttall. The area in which Miss Nuttall is working is fast becoming a suburban area instead of rural. A study of the changing needs of the area is in order. Ruston District has requested a rural worker, but before one is assigned a study and survey will have to be made. Formal request for a worker must be made and funds allocated. Mrs. Virgil Morris will be asked to serve as Chairman of Ruston District Rural Advisory Sub-Committee.

Mrs. Cadwallader, speaking for the New Orleans District Rural Advisory Sub-Committee, stated that the ministers with whom Miss Nuttall works speak highly of her work. Miss Nuttall will attend the Town and Country Commission meeting in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Whitaker read a telegram of greetings received from Zone I of the Monroe District.

The afternoon coffee break was welcomed. Members moved to the church parlor where they again enjoyed the hospitality of the local society.

The meeting resumed in the Sanctuary.

Finance Committee, Mrs. A. J. McGrede submitted the following report:

(1) That the pledge to Missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1959-1960 be $106,975.00.

(2) That the Districts pledge to conference be:

Alexandria District	$ 10,000.00
Baton Rouge	16,675.00
Lafayette	9,000.00
Lake Charles	12,100.00
Monroe	15,450.00
New Orleans	14,350.00
Ruston	14,000.00
Shreveport	25,000.00
	$116,575.00

(3) That the budget for 1959-1960 be $9,600.00.

(4) That our president be sent to the Executive Committee meeting of the Woman's Division at Buck Hill Falls in January, 1959.

(5) That only one copy of recommendations be sent by the officers and secretaries to be included in the packets for Annual Meeting.

(6) That the Louisiana Rural Advisory Committee be allowed expenses for one meeting per year.

(7) That the Secretary of Missionary Service be allowed $60.00 per year for printing and mailing the "Missionary Minute."

(8) That the treasurer be allowed to withhold up to fifteen percent of the pledge to the Woman's Division if necessary in order to meet the increased cost of conference cultivation for the years 1958-1959 and 1959-1960.

(9) That up to fifteen percent of the pledge to the Woman's Division be set aside by the treasurer each year beginning with 1960-1961 for cultivation fund.

After full discussion of each item the report of the Finance Committee, upon motion of Mrs. McSween, with a second, was adopted.

Mrs. Kilpatrick presented Miss Maree White, District Secretary of the Lafayette District Wesleyan Service Guild, and a member of the Louisiana Memoirial Methodist Church Guild Unit, Opelousas.

Mrs. Dameron, chairman of **Annual Meeting Program Committee,** reported on plans for the meeting, March 3-8, 1959 at First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge. The theme "Immortal Tidings in Mortal Hands" will be used. A definite committment by Miss Lucille Colony and Mrs. A. R. Marquardt as guests on the program has been made. Conference officers will be asked to make ten minute reports and speak to any recommendations at the same time. Spiritual implications are to be lifted up in all phases of the work. An Evaluation Sheet will be part of the delegates' packet, to be filled out and turned in on the last day. Officers will be requested to follow a uniform plan in having recommendations printed, these to be specified by the recording secretary.

Mrs. C. R. McCammon reported for the **Tour Committee** which has been set up to state purposes and outline directives for groups within

and without the state, who visit institutions in the conference. This committee is working with the Board of Education office, which will be the clearing house. Mrs. Dameron serves as Tour Chairman for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. A brochure is being compiled by the Board of Education office, which will give information about historical points of interest, institutions of the Woman's Division, Wesley Foundations on the state operated campuses and work of the church-related college. Each local church will receive a set of directives to guide groups desiring to make tours. This is being done in order to protect institutions visited, as well as to give purpose to those making the tours.

Mrs. McGowan reported on the swimming pool project for MacDonell Methodist Center. She and her committee advised that the pool not be constructed.

It was moved by Mrs. McCammon that Miss Louise Sharp be an ex-officio member, without vote, of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. Seconded and carried.

Miss Sharp replied with words of deep appreciation for the privilege of serving in this capacity.

Mrs. Dameron reported on Cooperative Lines of Youth Work, emphasizing the unifying efforts of missionary education of youth and missionary personnel. She stressed the need for a file of names of young people who have expressed an interest in church-related vocations, in order that there might be close follow-up with spontaneous cultivation and plannned activities for them. Closer cooperation in setting up Christian Career Clinics in the districts is being worked out. She also spoke of the value of having a permanent Committee on Cooperative Lines of Youth Work.

Upon motion made by Mrs. McCammon the Committee voted to have a Standing Committee on Cooperative Youth Work.

Mrs. Tebow, representing the **Special Committee** composed of district officers of the Executive Committee, reported that after careful sudy it be recommended that the Executive Committee of the Conference continue meeting in October for its Mid-Year meeting and that zones be continued because of the need of cultivation of local women. The matter of district officers being trained by conference officers on the morning of the opening day of the Annual Meeting will be considered by the Special Committee at the Pre-Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge, March 3, 1959.

Mrs. McCammon recommended that district officers be urged to attend the Clinic at the Annual Meeting.

District Meeting dates were announced as follows:

Shreveport at Mangum Memorial	April 14
Ruston at Arcadia	15
Monroe at Delhi	16
Alexandria at LeCompte	17
Lake Charles at Simpson	21
Lafayette	22
Baton Rouge at Ponchatoula	23
New Orleans at Lake Vista	24

The president called for brief reports from various members who are in contact with the institutions and workers of the conference. These reports revealed fine work and close cooperation.

Dinner hour had arrived and the Committee adjourned to meet in the Social Hall again to enjoy the fine food prepared and served by the Wardie Lampson Circle of the hostess society. Miss Claire McKinnon offered the thanks. At the close of the meal the Committee on Resolutions presented their report as follows:

"The Committee on Resolutions wishes to express gratitude and appreciation to all the women of the Louisiana Memorial Methodist Church, Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild, for their thoughtful planning for the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Louisiana Conference.

"To Miss Claire McKinnon, President of the Louisiana Memorial Methodist Church Woman's Society and her local Committees, we are deeply grateful.

"To the Reverend Richard Walton for his timely devotional setting the theme for our meeting and to Mrs. Walton for her inspirational worship in music which lifted our hearts;

"To our hostesses who so cordially welcomed us;

"We express our deep appreciation."

Mrs. Sam Dunbar, Chairman
Mrs. Wideman Watson

Thursday Evening

The session in the Sanctuary opened with the singing of a hymn and Mrs. Dunbar led in prayer. Reports from the various institutions were continued. Of particular note was the National Senior High Work Camp which was held at Dulac Indian Center during the past summer; also, Dulac Center will share in the Week of Prayer offerings for 1959, it was reported.

"Methodist Information" sheet was circulated and publicity through this medium was discussed.

January 1, 1959 was announced as the date for each officer to send her article for the conference news sheet, which will be mailed out in early February. The news sheet is to be circulated twice a year, one time with the "call letter" to the Annual Meeting and the other with the School of Missions publicity. These mailings will be sent out under first class postage rates.

The Journal Committee reported that minutes would be examined before printing and circulation.

Miss Louise Sharp brought words of greeting from Miss Elizabeth Thompson, formerly a worker in the Louisiana Conference.

The president called on the Reverend Walton to offer the prayer of dismissal for the Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned.

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, President
Mrs. J. C. Whitaker, Recording Secretary

Approved: Mrs. C. W. Tebow
Mrs. L. C. Aycock

PRE-ANNUAL MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 3-4, 1959

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service met at 1:00 p.m., March 3, 1959 for luncheon in the lovely parsonage home of Mrs. D. W. Poole at 4044 South Ramsey, Baton Rouge. The luncheon was a courtesy of the Baton Rouge District Woman's Society with the officers serving as hostesses. Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey asked the blessing.

At the business session Mrs. Lee Tidwell led the worship on "Womanpower." She spoke of the great potential of Methodist womanpower in the changing patterns as an essential and distinctive part in the manpower capacity of our country. One-fifth of the income in the form of wages and salaries is earned by women. One-third over fourteen years of age is now employed. Nine out of ten women work outside of their home at some time. Mrs. Tidwell closed the meditation with prayer.

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, conference president, who welcomed the Executive Committee to the Nineteenth Annual Meeting, spoke of the fine publicity in **Louisiana Methodist** and the newspaper publicity throughout the state. Miss Joan Newby of **Methodist Information Service** will attend the meeting in Baton Rouge to handle publicity for the meeting. Mrs. Kilpatrick commented briefly regarding churches where the woman's work is unorganized. Eight new Guild units have been organized. She paid tribute to the new workers in the Conference, as well as to those out of the state. Keeping the societies informed about the workers on the home and foreign fields is an invaluable service which Mrs. Robley Davis is doing through her office of Missionary Service. Three persons were commissioned at the recent meeting of the Board of Missions. They were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams, who will go to Bolivia to work, and Miss Wilma Snare, who is now working at St. Mark's Community Center, New Orleans. It was announced that Dr. Vela Cleveland will attend the Annual Meeting, prior to sailing for India on March 11. Miss Patsy Ruth Alexander who has worked in Cuba is no longer in the employement of the Woman's Division. Miss Eva Dean of Dulac who is a student at National College has married. She and her husband attend National College. Mrs. Kilpatrick announced that Miss Averill Jordan of India is now working in Cleveland, Ohio. The committee was reminded to use the Prayer Calendar and to remember the birthdays of the workers.

The minutes of the Mid-Year Meeting of the Executive Committee were accepted as circulated except for the following corrections: (1) Date of School of Missions at Centenary College should read August 17-21 instead of August 10-14; (2) In the Wesleyan Service Guild Report made by Miss Sue Batton the first two sentences should read: "Miss Sue Batton reported that eighteen Guild members attended the Jurisdiction Guild Weekend at Mt. Sequoyah. Miss Batton and the chairmen of three lines of work attended the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah the following week;" (3) Item 3 of the Finance Committee report was omitted and should read: "That the budget for 1959-1960 be $9,600.00".

The recording secretary asked that officers submit annual report in triplicate on one page of double spaced typing by June 15. District Secretaries of Promotion reported briefly on the use of the Annual Report in the local societies.

At the roll call the following members were absent: Mesdames

Charles N. Cadwallader, M. A. Reber, Robert Compton, George Grafton, W. D. Snelling, C. W. Tebow. Mrs. Tebow's resignation was announced, due to her mother's illness. The vacancy will be filled by the Administrative Committee. Mrs. McGowan was asked to send a telegram to Mrs. Tebow and cards to other absent members. A telegram from Mrs. Tebow was read in which she wished that the Annual Meeting might be of great significance to all. Communications were read. Following the reading of a letter from the Administrator of Brewster Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida, in which certain needs were lifted up, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy urged committee members to relate the needs on the mission field to people who might be in a financial position to help. A telegram was read from Mrs. W. D. Snelling stating that she would arrive on March 4 for the meeting.

The president made the following committee appointments: Journal Committee, Miss Sue Batton and Mrs. J. B. Mouton, Sr.; Resolutions, Mesdames B. F. Patterson, Jr., C. P. Gray, Jr., and Clyde Toadvin; Cooperative Lines of Youth Work, Mrs. C. R. McCammon, chairman, Mesdames G. W. Dameron, Charles Giessen and Miss Louise Sharp; timekeeper for the Annual Meeting, Mrs. McCammon; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey.

A review of dates and plans for future meetings was noted on the agenda as follows: (1) Plans for delegates who will attend the Jurisdiction Meeting and Convocation in Kansas City, April 6-9; (2) Change in Lake Charles District meeting place from Simpson Church to First Methodist Church in Lake Charles; (3) Lafayette District Meeting Place at Opelousas; (4) Baton Rouge District Meeting at Zachary instead of Ponchatoula; (5) Mrs. R. R. Cahal will attend Children's Workers Regional Meeting in Kansas City, April 29-30, with the Division and Conference sharing expenses; (6) the President will report to the Annual Conference at Centenary College on May 28, 1959; (7) the Fourth National Methodist Town and Country Conference at Wichita, Kansas, July 21-24, to which funds for three persons to attend will be provided—the three being, the president, the chairman of the Rural Advisory Committee and the Rural Worker; (8) Mrs. M. R. Tatum was nominated as the delegate to the National Seminar on Christian Social Relations at Bennet College, July 20-25, expenses to be paid by the conference. The Administrative Committee will name alternate for Mrs. Tatum, if needed; (9) One youth and one student will be nominated from the conference to be considered as a representative to the Christian Social Relations Seminar from the Jurisdiction; (10) The Joint Committee on Christian Social Relations Meeting, July 26-29 at Mt. Sequoyah was announced; (11) Delegates to the Conference on Human Relations will be named at the called session of the Executive Committee at the School of Missions; (12) The second week of October was suggested as the date for the Mid-Year Meeting at First Methodist Church of Natchitoches.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Paxton. The Reverend and Mrs. Poole served coffee to the group during a delightful social hour.

Tuesday Evening—March 3

The Executive Committee met for dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the beautiful home of Mrs. Robert Holloway, 5700 Sandalwood, as guests of the Woman's Society of First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge. Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick offered the invocation.

The business session was opened with prayer by Mrs. W. W. Paxton.

Mrs. Laskey, in the report on the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Division, told of recommendations which were brought in from committees for implementation by the body. They had to do with the

White House Conference, race relations, disarmament program, the age of outer space, housing problems, migrant work with particular reference to housing and rest stops for migrants, legislation in our localities, bombing in areas of our own country, and strategic lands abroad. She told of the great need of high caliber christian literature overseas. We are on the threshold of seizing Africa for Christ, if we have the personnel. Personnel is still the greatest problem facing the church. Missionary work is welcomed in India under nationals. Seven persons were commissioned for full-time service from the Louisiana-Arkansas area. The younger churches are becoming sending churches.

Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary of Promotion for the South Central Jurisdiction, asked that we gear our program in order that all the women might have the joy of participating. There is a great need for training district offciers. She stated that there would be definite plans for training district officers during the next quardennium. She lifted up two recommendations which have to do with the inter-relatedness of the total program of the church and the use of retired workers and missionaries to speak in local groups, zone, district, and conference.

Mrs. Sam Dunbar, Secretary of Supply Work for the South Central Jurisdiction, told of attending the meeting of the Standing Committee at Buck Hill Falls. She stated that information presented about institutions to which supply money is directed will promote supply work as well as giving to the pledge. Personalized giving is what makes supply work a real joy to the local woman.

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy. vice-president, presented the program flyer for 1959-1960 with particular reference to the fact that circle programs will be found in the Program Book, instead of the **Methodist Woman.** She stated that World Federation of Methodist Women should be an emphasis sometime during each period and included on the report blank. It was suggested that World Federation be studied at the Mid-Year Meeting of the Executive Committee. She spoke of the importance and use which will be made of the Evaluation Sheet, found in the delegates' packet. Conference officers were asked to inform those attending clinics concerning the use of the packet material, the program flyer, and the Evaluation Sheet.

Mrs. McSween reported that $1,165.00 had been sent in during the three quarters for the support of Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

Since Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation is the best organzation we have in our state for doing its type of work, Mrs. Tatum moved that the Woman's Society support the Foundation on the basis of twenty-five cents per member, as has been done during the past year. Motion carried.

Mrs. McSween stated that Louisiana Conference Woman's Society would assume one half of Dr. Cleveland's support on the mission field.

The report of the Secretary of Promotion for two report periods was circulated.

Mrs. Wideman Watson reported on a letter from Miss Sarah Parrot, asking for her evaluation of the Annual Report of the Woman's Division. Several members of the committee offered suggestions for Mrs. Watson to pass on to Miss Parrott.

Mrs. Kilpatrick called for each district president to report for her district. Among the items of progress shown in the districts were: improved zone meetings, greater collection of coupons for St. Mark's, two new churches organized with Woman's Society in Baton Rouge District, training of local officers combined with district meeting,

better christian career clinics, mission tours, two new units of Wesleyan Service Guild in Lake Charles District, more cooperation from pastors, promotion of membership, and improved studies with more societies meeting Jurisdiction Recognition standards. Ruston, Lake Charles, and Shreveport districts reported helping send a youth delegate to the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah in the summer of 1958.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron moved that nominations to the Board of Missions be made from the floor of the Annnual Meeting. Motion carried. Mrs. Kilpatrick asked Mrs. Dameron to present to the delegates the qualifications for membership on the Board of Missions, prior to the balloting.

Mrs. Watson was appointed chairman of Tellers with the following assistants: Mesdames H. G. Williams, S. B. Dampier, Jim Gibson, J. R. Montgomery, James Spencer, and Wayne Givens as counting tellers; Mesdames W. H. Pollard, Roy Davis, Thomas Pitt and John Lewis as distributing tellers.

Mrs. McSween reported for the Committee on Finance that the provision in Recommendation eight would make for additional funds needed to take care of expenses for those attending the various meetings previously reviewed by the Executive Committee.

Time and place of committee meetings for Wednesday morning were announced. The president asked that the Executive Committee meet in the Chapel of First Methodist Church at 10:00 a.m. to complete the business before the opening session of the Annual Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with Mrs. Dunbar giving the prayer.

Wednesday Morning—March 4

The Executive Committee convened in the Chapel of First Methodist Church at 10:00 a.m.

Mrs. Paxton gave a timely devotional on the topic of not getting lost in the small details of our work. So many important occasions such as Christmas and Easter have been "hidden among the stuff." She stated that prayer vigils are being held throughout the conference for the Annual Meeting, in order that we might not get lost in the "wrappings" of our work.

Mrs. Dameron presented a memorial to General Conference, regarding the Committee on Christian Vocations in the local church. Upon motion of Mrs. Dameron, it was adopted. (See page 52 of the Journal). Also, Mrs. Dameron presented a memorial regarding report blanks to the Woman's Division. She moved its adoption. Motion was seconded and carried. (See page 52 of the Journal).

It was moved by Mrs. Dameron that one hundred dollars be added to the amount of two hundred dollars already budgeted, for the purpose of bringing to the conference a missionary to be used in 1960 Christian Career Clinics, as well as other special meetings of youth and students. Motion carried.

It was announced that a new visual aid, "Make All Things New," a film on deaconess recruitment was now available for a rental of six dollars. It is expected that the film will soon be available through the Conference Board of Education office.

Mrs. McCammon moved that the present plan of stationery for conference officers be maintained, instead of having stationery printed to carry names of conference officers and lines of work. It was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Tidwell moved that the president's name appear on the stationery which she uses in her office. Motion carried.

Mrs. P. D. Lambert reported for the School of Missions Committee on the plans for the 1959 school. She asked that the districts send in delegate's name and alternate for the Jurisdiction School of Missions as soon as possible. Conference officers will have as alternates, district officers in corresponding lines of work. It was stated that Louisiana conference delegates to the Jurisdiction School would be hostesses. Dean of the School of Missions, Mrs. Watson, presented the schedule of the Conference School of Missions.

Mrs. McCammon, in reporting for the Committee on Cooperative Lines of Youth Work, pointed out the need for a unified missionary education program for youth and students. A missionary study will be presented during the Youth Assembly in June. Conference, district and bi-district workshops will be held. She stated that youth of the conference had requested a conference-wide School of Missions for Youth. Selection of youth to attend the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah was urged. A file of names of youth who are interested in church-related vocations is being worked out.

Mrs. Dameron reported for the Tour Committee. (See page 68 of the Journal).

Mrs. Robley Davis dismissed the session with prayer.

For the noon luncheon the Executive Committee met in the beautiful new parsonage home of Mrs. William E. Trice at 5243 Whitehaven. The Woman's Society of the University Methodist Church were hostesses.

Still THIRTY-TWO Countries

The Woman's Division of Christian Service has work in the following thirty-two countries:

Algeria
Angola
Argentina
Belgian Congo
Bolivia
Brazil
*Bulgaria
Burma
Chile
*China
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Hong Kong
India
Indonesia
Japan
Korea
Liberia
Malaya
Mexico
Mozambique
Nepal
Pakistan
Peru
Philippines
*Poland
Sarawak
Southern Rhodesia
Taiwan
Tunisia
U. S. and Territories:
Hawaii, Puerto Rico
Uruguay

The Department of Work in Home Fields administers the work in the United States and territories plus the **Dominican Republic.**

The Department of Work in Foreign Fields administers the work in the other thirty countries. The Woman's Division has voted to begin work in Costa Rica in June, 1959.

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* Indicates countries from which no reports are received.

PROGRAM

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 3-8, 1959

Tuesday, March 3

10:00-12:00 Registration of Executive Committee, First Methodist Church

1:00 Executive Committee Luncheon, Home of Mrs. D. W. Poole, 4044 South Ramsey; Courtesy, District Officers

6:30 Executive Committee Dinner, Home of Mrs. Robert A. Holloway, 5700 Sandalwood; Courtesy, Woman's Society, First Methodist Church

"Immortal Tidings in Mortal Hands"

Wednesday, March 4

10:00- 1:45 Registration for Delegates, First Methodist Church
Coffee Corner: Courtesy, Woman's Society, Ingleside Methodist Church
Conference Committee Meetings

12:00 Executive Committee Luncheon, Home of Mrs. W. E. Trice, 5243 Whitehaven; Courtesy, Woman's Society, University Methodist Church

Afternoon Session

"——*For I have given them the words thou gavest me——*
that the world may know——" John 17:8a, 23b

1:45 Organ Prelude: "All Glory Be To God on High" .... Edmundson
Mrs. Walter Brock

Hymn: "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds" ..... No 476

Convening the Nineteenth
Annual Meeting ..... Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, President

Opening Worship—
"Tidings That Light the World" ..... Mrs. W. W. Paxton

Welcome ..... Mrs. James B. Neathery, President, Woman's Society, First Methodist Church

Order of Business
Presentation of the Program .... Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Chairman
Report of the Recording Secretary ..... Mrs. James C. Whitaker
Recommendations from Executive Committee
Committee Appointments

Introduction of Workers

Presentation of Special Membership Roll ..... Mrs. S. J. Fairchild

Conference Officers' Reports and Recommendations

"Until true wisdom from above
Shall make life's pathway clear"

Vice President ..... Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy
Missionary Education ..... Mrs. P. D. Lambert
Youth Work ..... Mrs. C. R. McCammon
Literature and Publications ..... Mrs. Wideman Watson

Announcements

Benediction ..... Rev. Hugh Baker

6:00 Dinner Honoring Youth ..... First Methodist Church
Presiding Mrs. C. R. McCammon
Speakers: Miss Fae Daves, Rev. Harry Ezell

Evening Session

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations——" Matthew 28:19a

"We are impelled to go because we are sent. We are able to give because we have received" (From an Address: The Missionary Responsibility in Our Time)

7:45 Organ Prelude: "If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee" .... Bach
Mrs. Russell Hudson

Hymn: "Christ For the World We Sing" ..... No. 481
Scripture and Prayer ..... Dr. Dana Dawson, Jr.
Offertory: "Adagio" ..... Dupre
Anthem: "Cherubim Song No. 7" ..... Bortniansky
Junior Boy and Girl Choir
Mrs. Aleen Fulton, Conducting
Address: "Telling the Tidings in Louisiana" .. Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
Hymn: "We Thank Thee, Lord, Thy Paths of Service Lead" No. 458
Address "Telling the Tidings Today" ..... Mrs. J. Fount Tillman
Benediction ..... Rev. Jerome Cain

Thursday, March 5

Morning Session

"——the Lord has annointed me to bring good tidings——" Isaiah 61:1a

8:45-10:15 Clinics Conducted by Conference Officers, First Methodist Church
(Worship During Clinic Period)

10:15 Hymn: "Be Strong" ..... No. 300

Conference Officers Reports and Recommendations
"Help us to spread Thy gracious reign
Till greed and hate shall cease"
Missionary Service ..... Mrs. Robley Davis
Supply Work ..... Mrs. C. B. McGowan
Status of Women ..... Mrs. F. E. Kennon
Missionary Personnel ..... Mrs. G. W. Dameron

Address: "Witness and Missions in
India and Pakistan" ..... Miss Lucile Colony
Hymn: "We've A Story To Tell" ..... No. 501
Courtesies ..... Mrs. Charles Cadwallader
Noon-Day Worship
Solo: "Christ Went Up Into The Hills" .... Richard Hageman
Mr. James Graves, Tenor
Mrs. Dudley Hall, Accompanist
"Until We All Attain" ..... Mrs. A. R. Marquardt
Prayer ..... Mrs. Lee Tidwell

Afternoon Session

"Surely the mission of the Church is none other than the whole Church taking the whole Gospel to the whole of mankind throughout the whole world."
(From an address, One Lord Over All—Let Us Proclaim Him,
by Dr. Jas. K. Matthews)

1:45 Organ Prelude: "Chorale in E Minor" ..... Franck
Mrs. Russell Hudson
Hymn: "Jesus With Thy Church Abide" ..... No. 380
Christian Social Relations ..... Mrs. M. R. Tatum
Report and Recommendations
"To Speak and Act Boldly"
The Wesley Players, Wesley Foundation, La. State University

Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory" ..... No. 279
Pledge Service ..... Mrs. J. H. McSween
Report and Recommendations from the Treasurer
Benediction ..... Rev. James Ailor

6:00 Dinner honoring District Officers ..... First Methodist Church
Presiding: Mrs. R. O. Coorpender
Speaker: Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey

Evening Session

"I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness——I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations——" Isaiah 42:6

7:45 Organ Prelude: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" ..... Purvis
Mrs. Russell Hudson
Hymn: "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds" ..... No. 476
Scripture and Prayer ..... Dr. W. E. Trice
Offertory: "Communion" ..... Purvis
Anthem: "His Yoke Is Easy" ..... Genuchi
Motet Choir: Mr. Marvin Genuchi, Conducting
Address: "The Call To Witness and Decision" .... Dr. Eugene Smith
The Holy Communion
Benediction ..... Rev. D. W. Poole

Friday, March 6

Morning Session

"And these words which I command——you shall teach them diligently to your children." Deuteronomy 6:6a, 7a

8:30 Organ Prelude: "Fairest Lord Jesus" ..... Edmundson
Mrs. Walter Brock
Hymn: "Heralds of Christ" ..... No. 482
Prayer ..... Mrs. Sam Dunbar
Conference Officers' Reports and Recommendations
"Inspire Thy heralds of good news
To live Thy life divine"
Promotion ..... Mrs. C. W. Tebow
Student Work ..... Mrs. Charles Giessen
Wesleyan Service Guild ..... Miss Sue Batton
Spiritual Life ..... Mrs. W. W. Paxton
Children's Work ..... Mrs. R. R. Cahal
Panel: "The Church's Ministry For Today's Children"
Moderator: Mrs. W. F. Bates
Panelists: Mrs. S. E. Richardson, Mrs. C. F. Learner, Mrs. Walter McLean, Jr.
Report and Recommendations
Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign" ..... No. 479
Address: "Tidings—To All People" ..... Mrs. Carl Brunson
Order of Business
Reports of Committees
Adoption of Recommendations
Evaluation of Meeting
Place of Meeting, 1960
Resolutions
Noon-Day Worship
Special Music: "We Gather Together" ..... Traditional Dutch
The Bell Ringers; Mr. Marvin Genuchi, Conducting
"And the Word Became Flesh—in Me" .. Mrs. A. R. Marquardt
Benediction ..... Dr. Dana Dawson, Jr.
Buffet Luncheon, Courtesy, Baton Rouge Churches

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

"Immortal Tidings in Mortal Hands"

Saturday, March 7

10:00 Registration—Capitol House
10:30 Executive Committee Meeting—Capitol House
12:00 Executive Committee Luncheon—Capitol House

Afternoon Session

Sanctuary, First Methodist Church

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together."—Hebrews 10:25

1:45 Organ Prelude ..... Mrs. Russell Hudson
Hymn: "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds" ..... No. 476
Convening of the Eighth Annual Meeting .... Miss Sue Batton, Sec.
Opening Worship: "Immortal Tidings" ..... Mrs. Earl Turner
Welcome ..... Dr. Dana Dawson, Jr.
Order of Business
Presentation of Program ..... Miss Arline Tyler, Chairman
Report of Recording Secretary ..... Miss Marilynn Carter
Committee Appointments
Election of Nominating Committee
Introduction
Announcements ..... Mrs. C. G. Mainous
Solo: "Great Peace Have They Which Love Thy Law" ..... Mrs. Ralph Shirley
"And ye are witnesses of these things."—Luke 24:48
Address: "Witnessing" ..... Miss Sue Batton
Reports of Conference Chairmen
Missionary Education and Service ..... Mrs. F. G. Phillips
Christian Social Relations ..... Mrs. E. T. Cowell
Supply Work ..... Miss Margaret McGowan
Spiritual Life ..... Miss Arline Tyler
Guild Hymn ..... Tune "Finlandia"
Pledge Service ..... Mrs. J. H. McSween
Closing Prayer ..... Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
4:15 Fellowship Tea ..... Parlor, First Methodist Church
"Pass on and carry swift the news ye bring."—COPENHAVEN
6:30 Dinner, First Methodist Church ..... Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Presiding
Invocation ..... Dr. W. E. Trice
Introductions
Skit: "We Choose Our Mates—This Way" ..... Alexandria District
Closing Prayer ..... Mrs. B. W. Causey

Evening Session

Sanctuary, First Methodist Church
Miss Sue Batton, Presiding

"Whom shall I send and who will go for us?"—Isaiah 6:8

7:45 Organ Prelude ..... Mrs. Russell Hudson
Hymn: "O Zion Haste" ..... No. 475
Prayer ..... Rev. Hugh Baker
Special Music: "O God of Our Fathers" ..... Chrome
Teen-Toners Ensemble
Address: "Missions Today" ..... Miss Lucile Colony

Memorial Service ..... Miss Lillian Kennedy
Solo: "Sunrise Tomorrow" ..... Ackley
Miss Lois McGehee
Communion Service and Dedication of Gifts
Benediction ..... Rev. James Ailor

Sunday, March 8

Morning Session, The Capitol House

"And the Gospel of the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations."—Matthew 24:14

7:00 Quiet Breakfast: "To Love, To Lift, To Light"
Miss Arline Tyler, Presiding
Invocation ..... Mrs. Wideman Watson
Solo: "The Living God" ..... O'Hara
Mr. Marvin Genuchi
Meditation ..... Mrs. W. E. Trice
Closing Prayer ..... Miss Hermine Tate

8:20 Order of Business
Guild Times ..... Miss Elizabeth Langford
Election of Delegates
Report of Committees
"Immortal Tidings—To Keep and To Give"
Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Presiding

9:00 Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign" ..... No. 479
Prayer
Address ..... Mrs. Glenn Laskey
Hymn: "A Charge To Keep" ..... No. 287
Adjournment and Closing Prayer ..... Miss Sue Batton

JOURNAL OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Louisiana Conference

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

March 4-6, 1959

The Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Louisiana Conference convened in First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana on Wednesday, March 4, 1959 at 1:45 p.m. with the president, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, presiding.

Following the organ prelude Mr. Marvin Genuchi, Minister of Music of First Methodist Church, led in singing hymn No. 476, "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds."

In a worshipful setting Mrs. W. W. Paxton led the devotional service, using the topic "Tidings That Light the World." Focal point of the setting was a very large missionary candle which had been made from used candles sent to Mrs. Paxton by missionaries on the home and foreign field. The large candle had an outer layer of white, although it had been made from candles of all colors. Mrs. Paxton stated that the flame of the candle is the same regardless of the color; the candles represented people of all colors. The white candle was symbolic of our Christ. Following the litany, Miss Ella K. Hooper for many years the

head of MacDonell Methodist Center, lighted the missionary candle which was to burn at every session of the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Paxton concluded the meditation with prayer.

Mrs. James B. Neathery, president of the Woman's Society of First Methodist Church, gave a cordial welcome to the delegates and visitors.

In presenting the program folder, Mrs. G. W. Dameron spoke of the prayer vigil which was being held throughout the conference from the opening of the meeting until the close of the Annual Wesleyan Service Guild Meeting.

Mrs. James C. Whitaker, recording secretary, read a letter of greeting from Bishop and Mrs. Paul E. Martin.

Mrs. Whitaker reported briefly on the cost entailed in the printing of the Annual Report and urged societies to make large use of the Report. She stressed that the recording secretary of the local society be a student of **A Guide, The Annual Report of the Woman's Division, The Annual Report of the Woman's Society of Louisiana Conference,** "Constitution and By-Laws of the Woman's Society and parliamentary procedure.

The report of the recording secretary to the Annual Meeting was as follows:

(1) A transfer of $214.10 in Seminar Fund was made to the School of Missions fund to supplement expenses of School of Missions for 1958.

(2) Miss Louise Sharp, Conference Director of Youth Work, has been named an ex-officio member without vote of the Conference Executive Committee.

(3) A Tour Committee composed of Mesdames G. W. Dameron, chairman, C. R. McCammon, C. B. McGowan, Glenn E. Laskey, Charles Giessen, P. D. Lambert and Miss Louise Sharp has been set up to study the matter of mission tours to our institutions within the conference.

(4) Because there has been felt need for a rural worker in the Ruston District, a Ruston District Rural Advisory Sub-Committee has been named to study the need. The committee members are Mrs. Virgil Morris, chairman, the Reverend L. E. Douglas, the Reverend Loyd Williams, Mesdames Glenn E. Laskey, L. K. Wells and L. D. McGehee.

(5) A committee on Cooperative Lines of Youth Work has been named. They are Mesdames C. R. McCammon, chairman, G. W. Dameron, Charles Giessen and Miss Louise Sharp.

(6) Mrs. C. W. Tebow, Secretary of Promotion, has resigned due to her mother's illness. The Administrative Committee is authorized to fill the vacancy.

(7) Mrs. M. R. Tatum has been nominated to attend the the National Seminar on Christian Social Relations meeting at Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina, July 21-31, 1959.

(8) That an amount not to exceed $3,000.00 to be raised on the local level by freewill offering at the rate of twenty-five cents a member be allocated to the salary of a youth worker on the staff of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

(9) The Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chairman will report Friday morning. A number of changes have been made. Mimeographed copies will be circulated for delegates to follow as changes are explained.

(10) Mesdames Wideman Watson, Glenn E. Laskey and Sam Dunbar have been named as a committee to study needs in the conference for establishing new projects under the Woman's Division.

(11) A Memorial to the General Conference is as follows:

"To the Members of the Executive Committee, Louisiana Conference Womans Society of Christian Service:

"Wheras, the personnel needs of the Church, both in its local setting and in its world outreach, constitute the number one problem facing the Church, and,

"Whereas, recruitment of youth for church-related vocations is based, essentially, within the local Church, and,

"Whereas, the Committee on Christian Vocations in the local Church is the one authorized agency for interpreting the philosophy of Christian Vocation and presenting the challenge and opportunities in Church vocations to the youth and adults of the church, and,

"Whereas, the Committee on Christian Vocations, in the Local Church, being an optional committee, is often not organized or functioning and its responsibilities unfulfilled by any other person or group,

"Be it therefore resolved that the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service approve the sending of a Memorial to the 1960 General Conference requesting that the Committee on Christian Vocations in the Local Church be made one of the compulsory commissions in the local church;

"Be it further resolved that this resolution be presented to the delegated body of the Annual Meeting for its endorsement."

(12) A Memorial to the Woman's Division:

"To the Woman's Division of Christian Service

"The following resolution was approved by the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, in session, March 4, 1959, Baton Rouge. Louisiana, for consideration by the Woman's Division of Christian Service:

"Whereas, the District Secretary of Missionary Personnel is in a stragetic position to channel information to and from the local Church and Society regarding personnel needs and opportunities, and,

"Whereas, the District Secretary of Missionary Personnel has no corresponding officer in the local society, but must depend on the Secretaries of Youth and Student Work for reports from the Society, and,

"Wheras, the reports used by the Secretaries of Youth and Student Work for their regular periodic reports have very little correlation with the information required on the report of the District Secretary of Missionary Personnel,

"Therefore, be it resolved that the Woman's Division of Christian Service be requested to study the reports of the Secretaries of Youth and Student Work in relation to that of the Secretary of Missionary Personnel with a view to making such changes as will enable the three secretaries involved to secure the needed information with greater accuracy and efficiency.

"The following suggestions are offered for consideration:

"1. To insert in the new quadrennial Record and Report Book, an additional report, designed specifically for the District Secretary of Missionary Personnel, to be filled out jointly by the local Secretaries of Youth and Student Work, or

"2. To revise and correlate the present reports of the local Secretaries of Youth and Student Work and that of the District Secretary of Missionary Personnel."

(13) It has been recommended that the sum of one hundred dollars be added to the two hundred dollars, already budgeted for Christian Career Clinics, to be used in bringing a missionary into the conference to serve as a resource person for District Career Clinics and to work with other youth and student groups as time and availability will permit.

(14) The Finance Committee recommennds:

1. That the pledge to Missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1959-1960 be $106,975.00.

2. That the District pledge to conference be:

Alexandria District	$10,000.00
Baton Rouge	16,675.00
Lafayette	9,000.00
Lake Charles	12,100.00
Monroe	15,450.00
New Orleans	14,350.00
Ruston	14,000.00
Shreveport	25,000.00

3. That the budget for 1959-1960 be $9,600.00.

4. That our president be sent to the Executive Committee meeting of the Woman's Division at Buck Hill Falls in January, 1959.

5. That only one copy of recommendations be sent by the officers and secretaries to be included in the packets for Annual Meeting.

6. That the Louisiana Rural Advisory Committee be allowed expenses for one meeting per year.

7. That the Secretary of Missionary Service be allowed $60.00 per year for printing and mailing the "Missionary Minute."

8. That the treasurer be allowed to withhold up to fifteen percent of the pledge to the Woman's Division if necessary in order to meet the increased cost of conference cultivation for the years 1958-1959 and 1959-1960.

9. That up to fifteen percent of the pledge to the Woman's Division be set aside by the treasurer each year beginning with 1960-1961 for cultivation fund.

The secretary moved the adoption of the report and recommendations. It was seconded and carried.

The qualifications of members of the Board of Missions were explained by Mrs. Dameron. The bar was established; the voting strength was 183. Nominations from the floor were: Mesdames Glenn E. Laskey, Sam Dunbar, G. W. Dameron, and Lee Tidwell. Mrs. A. O. Buckingham moved that nominations be closed. The delegates voted and ballots were collected by the tellers.

The workers from the projects of the Woman's Division within Louisiana Conference were introduced as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brunson of Dulac Indian Center, Miss Joy Brand, a US-2 serving at Dulac Indian Center, Miss Hazel Cooper of Business Girls' Inn, Miss Fae L. Daves of St. Mark's Community Center, Miss Wilma Snare, also of St. Mark's, the Reverend and Mrs. Harry Ezell of MacDonell Methodist Center, the Reverend Allen O. Jernigan of the Wesley Foundation at Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Miss Shiela Nuttall, the rural worker in St. Tammany Parish, and the Reverend Robert Tatum, Wesley Foundation at Northwestern State College. Each worker announced the number of years of service to his or her particular institution.

The president presented Mrs. Sidney Fairchild, the keeper of the Special Membership Book. She spoke of the gifts to missions as symbols of appreciation, love and esteem for those honored; also, the gifts represent financial investment in schools, hospitals, homes—all for more abundant living. Over 8,000 names appear in the book and represent $164,000 in gifts to missions. She admonished members to honor one another. Mrs. Fairchild's daughter, Mrs. W. S. Stewart, has assisted her by printing the names in the book.

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, vice-president, presented her report and lifted up recommendations regarding the program theme for 1959-1960. A new feature will be that of circle programs appearing in the regular program book. She spoke of the new leaflet on "World Federation of Methodist Women." An interesting "Literature Tree" on the platform was featured as Mrs. Pomeroy spoke.

Mrs. Lambert, secretary of Missionary Education, stressed that there be a secretary of Missionary Education and Service in every society. In the small society the office of vice-president and secretary of Missionary Education may be combined. Reporting on time, attendace at School of Missions, formation and proper functioning of Reading Circles, and emphasis in the use of visual aids and missionary speakers were stressed.

Mrs. McCammon, secretary of Youth Work, stated that the secretary of Youth Work should be elected after consulting with the Youth Council. She should be the advisor in Christian Outreach, serve on the Youth Council, and be responsible for missionary education of youth. "Christian Missions in Town and Country" and "Africa" will be the studies for 1959-1960. Fifty percent of the MYFund is used in projects of the Woman's Division. There is need for emphasizing the projects to which the MYFund goes. The youth secretary should help to establish and maintain a Committee on Christian Vocations in the Local Church and send names of young persons interested in church-related vocations to the district youth secretary. She reported on her work with the MYF Council which plans the work of the conference. She spoke of the National Convocation of Methodist Youth meeting in August, 1959 and of the National Work Camps for Youth. Dulac Indian Center will have another National Work Camp for seniors in the summer of 1959. She stated that women of the church should be interested in the International Youth Exchange program. Information about this program is available through the Youth Department of the Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mrs. Watson, secretary of Literature and Publications, compared our witness as christians to that of writing a book. She said, "You are the book." Christ in our lives, or not, will show on every page. She urged the wise use of literature—that women know the facts contained in the literature and that we be Methodist women with a Christian world outlook.

The chairman of Tellers, Mrs. Watson, announced that Mrs. Laskey, Mrs. Dameron and Mrs. Dunbar had been nominated for possible

membership on the Board of Missions. Mrs. Pomeroy moved that Mrs. Tidwell be named the alternate. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Kilpatrick introduced Mrs. E. Maurice Faubion, vice-president of the Texas Conference Woman's Society as a visitor to the Annual Meeting.

The benediction was given by the Reverend Hugh Baker.

Wednesday Evening—Dinner

In the Gymnasium of First Methodist Church, the dinner honoring youth was held at 6:00 p.m. with Mrs. C. R. McCammon, presiding. Miss Louise Sharp, Conference Director of Youth Work of the Board of Education, offered the invocation.

The tables were beautifully decorated with arrangements of spring flowers and yellow candles. At each plate was a copy of the "Methodist Service Projects" booklet for 1959.

Miss Jean Stephens, conference president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, was presented and spoke briefly of youth work in the state. Other young people attending as guests were recognized as a group.

Miss Fae L. Daves of St. Mark's Community Center spoke of the Center as a place where practical christianity, without preaching, is lived. The Center renders the only type of service of its kind in the area where it is located. Five to six hundred individuals are served there. Day care is provided for pre-school children. Leadership is developed through the group life afforded those who attend the Center. The camping program is a very vital part of the program, affording unusual opportunities for the youngsters in group living. Through the program carried on in the camp the children get to know and appreciate other cultures. She spoke of the need of full-time staff members and of part-time helpers in boys' work. Her message was a challenge to youth to give themselves to a church-related vocation.

The Reverend Harry Ezell of MacDonell Methodist Center spoke of the power of dedicated Christian women. He stated that man had taken dominion over the world which God had created; that most of the natural enemies had been conquered. Man has not conquered himself. There is a lack of self-conquest. He spoke briefly of the work which the MacDonell Center is doing for children who are not orphans, but children from homes where family problems are of such a nature that the children do not have adequate care.

Mrs. Dameron closed the dinner hour meeting with prayer.

Evening Session

At 7:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary the opening hymn was number 481, "Christ for the World We Sing." Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy presided. Dr. Dana Dawson, pastor-host, read the scripture from Matthew 16 and offered the prayer. He officiated in receiving the offering.

The Junior Boy and Girl Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Aleen Fulton, sang very beautifully "Cherubim Song No. 7" from Bortniansky.

Mrs. Pomeroy presented Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, conference president, who spoke on "Telling the Tidings in Louisiana." (See page 71 for her address.)

Hymn number 458, "We Thank Thee, Lord" was sung by the congregation.

Mrs. Kilpatrick spoke of the high honor and privilege of having Mrs. J. Fount Tillman, president of the Woman's Division, address the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Tillman's address was entitled "Telling the Tidings Today." She said that as she travels across the church here she sees banners flying everywhere—God is in the Church and its work with all its large machinery. She stated that we have reached such a stage in our world of science, automation, electronics, univac—for which we are not psychologically prepared. Nationalism is rising in many countries; old religions are having a re-birth. We have been too concerned about last things instead of first things—"Z" instead of "A"—**Agape,** love. The more mature you are, the more you suffer; the more sensitive you are. We cannot disregard what is happening in our world. The matter of communicating with others in the world is a big problem. We have to know how people think. We lack knowledge of what we want to communicate. Sometimes the tidings we would tell are lost in the noise of the world. As we tell the tidings we must realize the Power. She spoke of the eleven countries of Africa which she had recently visited and of the social changes taking place there. As changes came to the disciples and to Paul through association with Christ, so we must change in order to prepare ourselves and our children to live in the world. "We are to grow up in every way like unto Him," wrote Paul to the Ephesians. We must also witness in unity. The womanpower—women working to supplement salaries of men, working to educate their children—must be taken into account. Nine out of every ten women will work outside their home in their life time. As women work as Christians first, their work will affect all of life—their giving, and their family living. There is need for maps, men, and new knowledge. What kind of map do you draw? This is a new world of men—airmen are now missle-men. Today Africa, she stated, is listening to Peiping as it condemns the United States in its broadcasts. It is hard to explain to Africa today something of the American way of life. Study courses for missionaries are being planned in order that they may interpret what is happening in rleationships between countries. The government is concerned that its representatives be better trained. Mrs. Tillman found American newspapers available as she traveled in Africa. She asked, "Is the Church taking the news?" An African said to her, "Why can't more come to help us?" We must have something of the zeal that John Wesley had when he said, "I set myself afire and people come to watch me burn." She told of the African chief concerned over the death of the witch doctor, a woman, whom he had not converted to Christianity. Our religion must possess us that we may speak as He speaks. There must be the love of God that passeth understanding; then we become His messenger.

The benediction was pronounced by the Reverend Jerome Cain.

Thursday Morning

Conference Officers met with the district and local officers in Clinic sessions from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m.

In the Sanctuary the opening hymn number 300, "Be Strong," was sung under the direction of Mr. Genuchi.

Mrs. Kilpatrick introduced Dr. B. C. Taylor, pastor of Noel Memorial Methodist Church in Shreveport. Dr. Taylor responded with words of high praise for the city of Shreveport and concluded with a gracious invitation from the Woman's Society and the Official Board of Noel Memorial Church for the 1960 Annual Meeting to be held in that church. The delegates and visitors accepted the invitation with a rising vote of appreciation.

Mrs. Robley Davis, secretary of Missionary Service, spoke of the workers on the home field who work to spread the gracious reign of our Lord. She urged the women to undergird the work of missionaries and mission stations by using the Prayer Calendar daily. She spoke of adding variety to meetings by using "The Missionary Minute," missionary letters, skits, and various visual aids. She stressed that missionaries be contacted through letters, greetings and personal notes —with no thought of a reply, since the workers are too busy to answer personal correspondence.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, secretary of Supply Work, told of cash supplies furnishing buildings after they are built. Each society knows how money will be invested, since the schedule is given to every society. In 1958-1959, $10,629.45 has been given to the seven projects in Louisiana and to National College in Kansas City. Cash supplies going to the foreign fields are sent undesignated. Fifty thousand dollars is needed this year. The investments in the lives of those ministered to enable women to "clip coupons" which are intangible. Sixteen thousand coupons for St. Mark's Camp have been received since July, 1958. The dividends are intangible and tangible in persons and equipment. As we give we grow in tolerance. She stressed that societies study institutions assigned to them for giving of cash supplies. She urged that supply askings be met. All money given above askings should apply on the pledge from the society.

Mrs. F. E. Kennon, secretary of Status of Women, asked that the Service Activity Card File be kept current, using the New Service Activity Card. Woman's Society members are to cooperate with the Wesleyan Service Guild to help employed women find a place to work in the church and community. The secretary of Status of Women is to actively work on the Program Committee of the local society. Women are urged to give recognition to those of their number who are doing or have done outstanding work in the church and community. Mrs. Kennon asked that women read the article in January, 1959 copy of **Methodist Woman**, relating to the Commission on Status of Women of the United Nations.

Mrs. Dameron, secretary of Missionary Personnel, challenged the women to give prayers, personnel and gifts that whole countries might be taken for Christ. The urgent need is to go, tell. There are some seventy professions in church-related vocations open to youth today. Eight hundred seventeen persons are needed this year by the Board of Missions for service. Mrs. Dameron presented Miss Wilma Snare, now serving at St. Mark's, who was commissioned in January, 1959. Of the hundreds of young people contacted for commitment to full-time church-related vocations, only five of every hundred finally qualify to serve. She outlined the task in the words of: cooperation, concern, information. "This is the task of all, or the work of none," she stated.

The president presented Miss Lucile Colony who gave the address of the morning. Miss Colony is the Executive Secretary of the Woman's Division with responsibility for work in India, Pakistan, and Nepal. She herself has served as an educational missionary in India, prior to 1943. Miss Colony brought love and greetings from Miss Anna Givens of Lafayette, Louisiana. Miss Givens serves as an assistant secretary in the Department of Work in Foreign Fields in the Woman's Division.

Miss Colony spoke of the large knowledge and faith which one receives in such a meeting as this. The work of the Woman's Society enlarges us in both knowledge and faith. The church is the strongest where there is an interest in missions and this is as true in foreign lands as it is here. God calls some of us to go out, as he did Paul and

Barnabas, who were set apart in the church at Antioch to go to Cyprus. In 1956 Miss Colony noted the interest of young women in India to become missionaries. This points up the fact that where the church is serious, the church is called to mission. A young couple from India have gone to Sarawak this year. The goal of the church in India is to be self-supporting. There is an atmosphere of freedom and independence felt in the church as well as in the country of India. The church wants to carry its own program. She told of the tremendous program of work of the Methodist Church in India. serving people in all areas of life; whereas the Hindus have no social service program. The national Christians give sacrificially. God entrusts to missionaries to be bearers of the best of everything. Yet there are many villages which Miss Colony has never visited that have heard the story. Thirteen groups or denominations serve in a united program in India. The non-Christian faiths are being revitalized. At the same time, there is an intense nationalism which wants to safeguard the culture patterns of the country. The Hindus are trying to take in Christianity. They are sending missionaries to the United States and other countries. They are antagonistic to the church and to the Christian missionaries. There is an effort across the world today to equalize all religions. People want proof that Christianity is superior, particularly in non-Christian countries. Christ is being set aside too much in our own country. The new society of which we are a part requires new persons. There is a deep spiritual hunger everywhere. Leaflet evangelism has been used extensively in India. 100,000 Bible correspondence courses are being taken in India. Missionaries as technical persons are needed; teachers and doctors are needed. They are needed also for the moral support which they can give the church there. The cost is nowhere recorded for the building of the Taj Mahal. The cost of building the church in India is nowhere recorded, but thanks be to God that He has called us to be His co-workers around the world.

Mrs. Neathery, the president of the hostess society, extended an invitation for delegates and visitors to attend Open House at the Wesley Foundation at Louisiana State University at the close of the afternoon session.

Hymn number 501, "We've a Story to Tell" was sung.

Courtesies were graciously handled by Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, former president of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society. Ministers, minster's wives, Mrs. E. Maurice Faubian, Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Mrs. Sam Dunbar, Mrs. Ewing T. Wayland, Miss Joan Newby, former conference officers, former and present district officers and Mrs. Glen R. Nordyke, general chairman of the Annual Meeting, were all introduced.

Noon-Day Worship was opened with the singing of the solo, "Christ Went Up Into the Hills," by Mr. James Graves, accompained by Mrs. Dudley Hall.

Mrs. Kilpatrick presented Mrs. A. R. Marquardt, secretary of Missionary Service in Foreign Fields of the South Central Jurisdiction Woman's Society. Mrs. Marquardt used as the topic of her meditation, "Until We All Attain." She said that the only way to explain St. Paul's attainments was that he was actually linked to the Power. This is the secret of fulfillment. "His life was his religion and his workshop was the world," said Henry Drummond. Other saints have followed this pattern—even the Indian woman in the high Andes Mountains, who knits an hour in the early dawn for her Lord and sells the garment in order that she may give the money to the work of her church. We must work until we all attain to the measure. Christ was the ultimate example of giving. His only joy was that of giving. The saying is true, "What I gave, I have; what I kept, I lost." We need to keep life simple. Brother Lawrence knew the spirituality of Christ. We are blind unless

we know Christ. What a pity to serve and to give without seeking to grow spiritually. What can just one person do? "Just build a better you," said Mrs. Marquardt. Our individual mission is to reach up to Him and out to others.

Mrs. Tidwell closed the worship time with prayer.

Fellowship Luncheon

At the luncheon in the Gymnasium of First Methodist Church, Mrs. Marquardt asked the blessing. There was no program during the meal.

Thursday Afternoon

Following the organ prelude, hymn number 380, "Jesus with Thy Church Abide" was sung.

The registration was announced as being 223, and thirteen workers from mission centers in Louisiana.

Mrs. M. R. Tatum, secretary of Christian Social Relations, stressed that local societies study the "Role of the United Nations in World Affairs," and that attendance at the United Nations by groups and individuals be promoted. Citizenship brunches, coffees, workshops, and seminars are to be continued to give information on alcohol, labor-management problems, world trade, housing and peacetime conscription. Inter-Board cooperation should be continued. Local societies should work with the Commission on Christian Social Relations. She urged that societies continue to support the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation with the twenty-five cents per member plan on a voluntary basis.

The Wesley Players from the Wesley Foundation at Louisiana State University were introduced by Mrs. Tatum. They presented the playlet on "Speak and Act Boldly," under the direction of the Reverend Robert Parrott and Mrs. William E. Trice. The characters depicted were outstanding Methodist women in American history who spoke and acted boldly in the name of Christ.

The singing of hymn number 279, "God of Grace and God of Glory" followed.

Mrs. J. H. McSween, the treasurer, reported on the pledge for the three quarters this year in the amount of $85,069.52 for the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild. She stressed that per capita giving be increased by the use of World Banks. She stated that if each member would give one cent per day for a year it would amount to over $58,000. "In Remembrance" giving was emphasized as a medium of giving to the work of missions. She stated that she believed at least fifty societies had one person in the membership who could give ninety-six dollars for the support of the work of the Woman's Division for five minutes. Mrs. McSween led an effective pledge service in which the district presidents and treasurers participated. The Missionary Candle burned brightly in the chancel, with the worship setting to the right. The setting was arranged as the spoken service and hymn singing by a quartet carried forward the theme. Then the presidents and treasurers entered the chancel two by two according to the districts—the president presenting the needs and the treasurer responding with the amount pledged from her district. Mrs. Paxton concluded the service with prayer. Mrs. McSween presented the total amount pledged of $116,975.00. Mrs. Kilpatrick responded with words of acceptance of the responsibility.

The Reverend James Ailor, Minister of the Parish of First Methodist Church, gave the benediction.

Thursday Evening—Dinner

The dinner honoring District Officers was held in the Gymnasium of First Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m. District groups sat together. Mrs. R. O. Coorpender, president of the Baton Rouge District Woman's Society, presided during the meal. The Reverend D. W. Poole gave the invocation. During the meal the secretary of Promotion from each District told briefly some facts about her district.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey was the speaker for the occasion, using as her topic "It Does Not Yet Appear What We Shall Be." She said that in all times of history, civilizations have fallen apart because people did not cooperate. She reviewed this fact as she told of the rise and fall of civilizations. She told of the great prayer and earnest work which went into the organization of the Woman's Society on the district level. She said that in this great church of ours we can get the work done because we have the organization and the "know-how." The district officers are the ones who know the local woman and her problems. Mrs. Laskey told with deep gratitude of the opportunity to serve which had come to her when she said, "yes" to being a circle leader. It was the beginning of doors opening to ever-larger opportunities to serve in the church. She spoke feelingly of the great dedication of our church leaders such as Mrs. Tillman, Miss Colony, Dr. Eugene Smith, and Mrs. Marquardt. As differences occur within the fellowship of the church, it is healthy to examine our church. We need to view the differences with open mind and heart. Miss Nancy Blake, recently returned missionary from Africa, said that nationalism is keeping people from embracing Christianity. There is lack of funds and personnel. "It is beyond the telling of it"—the need for personnel on the mission field. Thomas Kelly once said that "Christ did not die for a dull religion of habit." We have had a vision today of what it is all about. "It doth not yet appear what we shall be." In closing, Mrs. Laskey used a "Litany of Thanksgiving" written by Patricia Patterson who has been in Japan one year. This litany expressed the innermost feelings of our missionaries in Japan and Korea. (See the 19th Annual Report, page 139).

Dr. Dana Dawson gave the benediction.

Evening Session

At 7:45 p.m. the session opened with the singing of hymn number 476 "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds." Dr. William E. Trice, pastor of the University Methodist Church, read the scripture from Acts 1:8 and led in prayer. He officiated for the receiving of the offering. The Motet Choir of First Methodist Church, under the direction of Mr. Marvin Genuchi, sang very beautifully the anthem, "His Yoke Is Easy."

Mrs. Kilpatrick presented Dr. Eugene Smith, General Secretary of the Division of World Missions of the Board of Missions, as the speaker. His topic was "The Church Under the Cross." His challenge was one which the Savior gave to us, that we lose life in order to save it. Americans, he said, are flocking into Christian churches today but our lives are anything but self-denial. We don't want to live under the cross. We term success to be the most important thing in life; obedience, the opposite of success, should be our goal. Be careful of success. A record of obedience is the only thing that matters. He recited the epochs of history in which the church had been successful in terms of worldly ideas. Each epoch spelled a need for Reformation. The obedient church will be a church in trouble. "Woe unto you when all men speak well of you." "Blessed are you when you are persecuted." We are afraid because we don't have the Power. We need the power of a church which is not afraid to suffer. Is the church where I find the living Christ? Is this where the blind receive

sight, the lame because of fear are made to walk; the deaf to Christ' teachings are made to hear; the lepers, the social outcasts of our day, are cleansed; the dead in sin are raised up; the poor in their misery have the gospel preached unto them? Dr. Smith told the story of Sister Bertha in Yugoslovia who worked so sacrificially under persecution; served fifteen years without a day's vacation. As he sat talking with her at tea, she said, "Every morning when I get up I thank God that He has given me such a wonderful job." She lost her life so long ago that she had found it. These are disquieting words of Jesus, "Deny oneself; take up the cross and follow; save life by losing it; lose it for my sake and you will find it. Die to ourselves, to live in Thee." Dr. Smith closed his address with prayer.

The Reverend D. W. Poole, District Superintendent, with the assistance of ministers of the churches of Baton Rouge, administered the Holy Communion. The Reverend Poole gave the benediction.

Friday Morning—March 6

Following the organ prelude, Mrs. Kilpatrick opened the session with the words from Deuteronomy 6:6a, 7a "And these words which I command—you shall teach them diligently to your children." Hymn number 482, "Heralds of Christ" was sung. The morning prayer was offered by Mrs. Sam Dunbar.

The president announced that Mrs. W. F. Bates, Secretary of Children's Work of the South Central Jurisdiction, would be unable to attend due to illness. The secretary was instructed to send Mrs. Bates a telegram, expressing regret that she could not attend.

Mrs. Evelyn Hook, staff member of Sager-Brown Home and Godman School, was introduced.

Mrs. Lee Tidwell, reporting for Mrs. C. W. Tebow, stressed increasing membership. She stated that every Methodist woman is our responsibility for membership in the Woman's Society. We must gear the program to meet the needs of all women. Leadership training on all levels was stressed. She asked that members strive to gain a better understanding of the inter-relatedness of the work of the society to the total program of the church on all levels. She pointed up that there is an inter-meshing of the work, not an overlapping. She urged that members be boosters, not complainers; enthusiastic and joyful; that we elevate, exalt and lift up our work.

Mrs. Charles Giessen, secretary of Student Work, opened her presentation with prayer for students. She stated that the student movement had begun with John Wesley at Oxford University where he gathered students about him. In derision they were called "Methodists." The student secretary should be a friend to students, sending them communications by mail, and informing them of Methodist Student and Scholarship Aid if there is need for such help. Student Information cards should be mailed to the college campuses before July 15. Societies should help finance students who wish to attend Leadership Training Conferences, Caravans, Work Camps or Summer Service Projects. Student secretaries are to refer names and addresses of students interested in church-related vocations to district or conference secretary of Missionary Personnel.

Miss Sue Batton, speaking as secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, told of the large number of Guilders registered for their Annual Meeting. There are eight newly organized Guild units. There are 2,014 members—a gain of 107 over the losses. She urged that units be organized for working women of the church and that young mothers belong to a night circle of the Woman's Society. She stressed the study of the recommendations adopted by the Christian Social Rela-

tions Standing Committee, found in the March 1959 issue of **Methodist Woman**; that study classes be promoted with an emphasis on study for Jurisdiction Recognition; that the spiritual life emphasis of the work be kept ever before the units through all the ways of cultivation of spiritual life.

Mrs. Paxton, secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation, brought a thrilling challenge as she lifted up some of the goals. We are to continue the use of the Prayer Calendar as individuals and as family groups. More careful study of Week of Prayer materials with increased giving is needed. As we look into the face of Jesus seated with his disciples at the Last Supper, we have to ask of Him, "Lord, is it I?" The Kentucky mountain woman spoke a truth when she said, "We ain't what we wanta be; we ain't what we gonna be; but we ain't what we wuz." Mrs. Paxton suggested that a map of the world used along with the Prayer Calendar is an effective way to impress upon adults and children the work of our church and its workers. She asked that we make a love offering for the Week of Prayer all during the year, as we experience some joy or blessing. She told of Dr. E. Stanley Jones saying that missions is an obsession, "a magnificent obsession" with him. "We have merely touched the hem of His grament," said Mrs. Paxton. The women were asked to make the summer months a time of real spiritual life cultivation instead of the "usual summer slump."

Mrs. Kilpatrick called Dr. Vela Cleveland to the platform to be presented. Dr. Cleveland asked only for the prayers of the women, as she leaves for her work in India. Miss Colony suggested that we pray for missionaries around the world at nine o'clock each day.

District secretaries of Promotion were asked to secure packets for societies that were not represented at the Annual Meeting. These are to be given out at the District meetings.

Mrs. R. R. Cahal, scretary of Children's Work, presented many facets of children's work with the help of Panelists, Mesdames, S. E. Richardson, C. F. Learner and Walter McLean, Jr. Mrs. McLean explained by use of a chart the organizational set-up of the Council of Children's Work in the local church and how the secretary of Children's Work is related to this Council. Mrs. Richardson told of missionary education on the nursery and kindergarten level in the church school and through the home. Mrs. Learner presented the plans of missionary education for primary and junior age children. She asked that women of the society visit the departments; make gifts of books for the children's departments; become teachers of children; help with visitation in the homes of children; assist dislocated persons; provide missionary materials; furnish refreshments for children's groups; share news from the mission field with children; and speak of our faith more often with children. Mrs. McLean explained that missionary education involves the whole church, but special units are taught in January and May in additional sessions, or extended sessions, to allow for more teaching time. The church-wide School of Missions in January is an opportunity for the whole church to grow in world-mindedness.

Mrs. Cahal reported that 87 societies did not report having a children's secretary. She urged that every society elect a secretary. She stated that many children's teachers have had enriching experiences in additional sessions with children. She lifted up the new Handbook for Secretaries of Children's Work and urged that such be purchased and used.

Hymn number 479, "Jesus Shall Reign" was sung.

Mrs. Carl Brunson, a worker at Dulac Indian Center, spoke on "Tidings—to All People." She stated that from 1400 to 1500 Indian people live along the bayous of south Louisiana. Dulac Center serves

about half of this number. As she spoke of the circumstances under which the good news came to the shepherds in the long ago, she said that we must take the good news to a group in our conference—the Houma Indians. Jesus' ministry was a complete one. He said, "My meat is to do the will of my Father." It is ours likewise. The Center ministers to people in four categories—education, health, recreation, and religion. Educational opportunities are now more equal. Sixty children are taught in the kindergarten of the Center. English is spoken in the Kindergarten which makes for English readiness when the children enter public school. There are homemakers groups for girls and workshop activities for boys. Piano lessons are given to three intermediate girls. Night classes are taught for teen-agers. The children have an opportunity for an eighth grade education and the ninth grade is to be added soon. School attendance is not enforced as it should be; the Center workers encourage school attendance. Two girls from the community are now attending Vashti School in Georgia. Eva Dean, now Mrs. Dale Wilson, is still attending National College in Kansas City. There are many recreational activities because it is necessary for people to learn about wholesome recreation. Health activities are being carried on in cooperation with the Parish Health Unit. As a result the death rate has dropped tremendously in the last fifteen years. Religious education classes are held twice a week on released time from the public school; almost seventy children attend these classes. More than 130 children attended the Vacation Church School for two weeks. At Christmas time there was an interdenominational pageant. The Center and Staff seek in every way to express the message of love. There were ten MYFers from over the United States in the National Senior High Work Camp which was held for four weeks last summer at the Center; they worked to make major improvements. There are special services rendered the people, such as clothing supplied where needed, and counseling service in regard to income tax and other business matters, as well as personal problems. There is a lack of staff and lack of space. Miss Joy Brand, a US-2 works in the entire program of the Center. The Week of Prayer in 1959 will be partially directed to the Center. Mrs. Brunson said that the Center was the only agency serving many of the people. She spoke of the privilege of attending the Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions in Buck Hill Falls where she saw our great church at work. "No one is too high, too low, too isolated to be out of the concern of Methodist women," she said. Mortals are we—yet God has entrusted to us the taking of the Tidings.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, chairman of Constitution and By-Laws Committee, presented the changes, as copies were circulated to delegates. THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE submits the following report:

(1) Section 3, page 93, Annual Report 1957-1958, (a), (b), (c), (d) rewritten to read:

(a) At the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society preceding the last Annual Meeting of the Jurisdiction Woman's Society of the quadrennium, the Conference Society shall elect six delegates to the Jurisdiction Society to serve for four years. all of whom shall be conference officers. Three of these shall be elected by office; namely, the president, the treasurer, and the secretary of promotion. The other three shall be elected by name.

(b) If and when vacancies occur during the quadrennium among the designated offices, the successor in the office shall be the Conference representative.

(c) Four reserve delegates from the conference officers shall be elected.

(d) If and when vacancies occur among the officers elected by name, the reserve delegates, in the order elected, shall replace them.

Section 3, (c)

(c) page 93 shall become (e) "Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election."

(f) At this same meeting, the Conference Society shall nominate three women for membership on the Board of Missions and forward the names at once to the Jurisdiction Woman's Society.

(2) Article V—**Funds**, Section 2, Page 73 of 1955-1956 Annual Report reads: "A sum not to exceed $300.00 per year shall be allowed the Secretary of Christian Social Relations for the promotion of this department of work in the conference."
Replace under Article IV—Funds. This will become new section, Section 5, page 94 of Annual Report, 1957-1958.

(3) Article VI—**Standing Committees**

Section 9, page 97, in first sentence after words "the Conference Secretary of Status of Women," insert the following phrase, "and such other members as may be needed" so that the Section 9 will then read:

"There shall be a Research Committee consisting of the District Secretaries of Promotion, the Conference Secretary of Status of Women, and such other members as may be needed, with a chairman elected by the Executive Committee. (Continue paragraph as written in 1957-1958 Annual Report).

(4) Article VI, Section 10, page 97

Insert in second sentence, after list of secretaries the words "the Dean, the Assistant Dean," so that the paragraph shall then read:

There shall be a committee on School of Missions and Christian Service with a chairman and secretary elected annuallly. This committee shall be composed of: the vice-president, the treasurer, the secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education, Missionary Service, Christian Social Relations, Wesleyan Service Guild, Literature and Publications, Spiritual Life Cultivation, the Dean, the Assistant Dean and such other members as may be authorized by the Executive Committee. This committee shall plan and promote a Conference School of Missions and Christian Service which shall give emphasis to the world mission of the Christian Church through the integrated program of missionary education, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation and Program Building, and which shall train leadership for the promotion of the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

(5) Article VI, add a new Section 14, to read:

There shall be a Standing Committee on Place of Meeting composed of three members appointed by the Administrative Committee who will serve for a quadrennium. It shall be the duty of the committee to select suitable meeting places for the Mid-Year and Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society and report to the Executive Committee their availability one year in advance of the meeting. Whenever possible the committee shall alternate the meetings between the northern and southern part of the state.

(6) Article VII—**Amendments,** page 97 and 98:

Section 1. (Conform to Woman's Division)

Proposed amendments to these by-laws may be made by majority vote at any Annual Meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service provided a thirty day notice is given in writing to the Executive Committee of the Conference, or to the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws; copies shall be made for distribution to delegates.

(7) **Standing Rules of the Conference,** pages 98 and 99. These Standing Rules shall be added to those previously adopted and shall be numbers 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 as follows:

15. The conference president may attend the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Division of Christian Service either her first or second year of office at the conference expense.

16. Each officer shall render to the conference treasurer quarterly itemized statements covering office expense.

17. Conference officers in the pattern attending the Jurisdiction School of Missions are each allowed $10.00 subsidy from the Woman's Division and/or the Jurisdiction. District officers substituting for conference officer in the same line of work and meeting all requirements will be allowed the subsidy.

18. Transportation by car for conference officers on official business shall be allowed five cents per mile. Car pools are recommended and care should be exercised to accommodate four persons in a car whenever possible. When conference and district officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild and other riders travel together in a car, each person should share in the expenses of the car; the conference officer charging her pro-rata share to the conference, and the district officer charging hers to the district, and the other riders assuming their share in the expenses of the car.

19. A subsidy of $9.00 per person shall be paid all the district officers of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild and conference chairman of lines of work of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the quadrennial pattern attending and meeting the requirements of work of the Conference School of Missions.

20. Expenses of one car from each district to the Conference School of Missions will be paid by the conference from the point where car pool originates. The district will assume expense of persons to the place car pool originates.

After reading and explaining the changes in by-laws and standing rules, Mrs. Laskey moved their adoption. Motion carried.

District By-Laws

Article 5, page 95, Annual Report 1957-1958.

Section 1. In sentence two, change "appointed" to "elected," and words "the District president" to "their respective zone," and "re-appointment" to "re-elections." Strike out sentence three, and substitute the following, "the number of zone meetings to be held during

the year shall be determined by the district Executive Committee." In sentence four, change "collection" to "offering."

Section 1 will then read: District shall be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be elected by their respective zone for a term of two years with the privilege of re-election for one additional term. The number of zone meetings to be held during the year shall be determined by the district executive committee. An offering may be taken at each meeting. The leader may deduct any necessary expense of the meeting before remitting to the district treasurer.

Section 2, paragraph 2, shall conclude thus: "Vacancies occuring ad interim in offices of the Society or chairmen of committees shall be filled by the district executive committee and ratified by the annual district meeting."

Add Section 3 as a new section. The district Society shall provide such standing committees as the needs may require, under the guidance of the conference Society.

Section 3, page 95, becomes Section 4. Add words, "zone leaders" to list of officers named, and Section 4 then shall read: The executive committee of the district shall be composed of the zone leaders, the district officers, and the conference and jurisdiction officers and members of the Woman's Division in the district.

Add new Section 5. There shall be a Committee on Annual Program, composed of the president, the vice-president, the recording secretary, and such other members as may be needed. The committee shall elect its chairman annually.

Article IV. Section 3, Funds, page 94. In line two change "ten cents per member" to "fifteen cents per member," and the section will then read: Each local society shall include in its budget for District Cultivation, an amount equal to fifteen cents per member, to be remitted to the District Treasurer.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Chairman

Mrs. Laskey moved their adoption. Motion carried.

As a matter of information, Mrs. Laskey read and explained the following:

Article II, page 282 of the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division—Nominations and Elections in the local Woman's Society shall read:

Section 1. "At the time all officers and secretaries of lines of work are elected, the Society shall elect, **for a three year term, a standing Committee on Nominations composed of three to five members, one of whom shall be elected chairman by the Society. The member of the committee who is elected chairman shall serve as chairman no more than one year and, while serving in this capacity, she shall be a member of the Executive Committee.**

Membership on the Standing Committee on Nominations shall be divided into classes with no member serving more than three consecutive years.*

*When the Nominating Committee is composed of three members, the following rotation of members is suggested:

In 1959—to elect all three members and thereafter, one member of the committee will retire each year and one new member will be elected.

When the Nominating Committee is composed of five members, the following rotation of members is suggested:

In 1959—to elect all five members;

In 1960—two members of the committee will retire and two new members will be elected;

In 1961—two members of the committee will retire and two new members will be elected;

In 1962—one member of the committee will retire and one new member will be elected.

Section 2. **At the time of the election, the Committee on Nominations shall present, for the ensuing term, nominations of all officers, secretaries of lines of work, the chairmen of standing committees and the members of the standing Committee on Nominations.**

Standing Committees in the local church Article IV, Section 10, page 286 of the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division—a new by-law.

Section 10 **will then read: "The Committee on Nominations shall be responsible for the careful selection of nominees for offices, for chairmen of standing committees and for the members of the Committee on Nominations.** The consent of nominees shall be secured before presenting names. **The Committee shall make nominations to fill vacancies which occur ad interim.**

The Committee on Nominations shall consult with the council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the council of children's workers in the church school before making nominations for the secretaries of Youth Work and Children's Work.

In nominating a representative on the Committee on Christian Vocations of the church, the Society shall take into consideration the secretary of Youth Work or the secretary of Student Work. **Election of this representative shall take place in the quarterly conference of the church."**

Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Chairman of School of Missions, spoke briefly about the School of Missions, using the information sheet contained in the delegates' packet. The theme for the 1959 school is "To Kindle . . . a Growing Light." Study themes for 1959-1960 are "Africa," "The Church's Mission in Town and Country," "The Role of the United Nations in World Affairs," and the "Gospel of Luke." The Bible hour will be held from 8:30 to 9:20 each morning during the school, using the theme, "The Idea of God as Revealed in the Scriptures." Clinics for lines of work in the 1959 school are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Missionary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation, Wesleyan Service Guild, Promotion, Recording Secretary and Supply Work.

Mrs. McCammon reported for the committee on Cooperative Lines of Youth Work. She said that the committee was created because there was a felt need for cooperating in all phases of youth work. There are no specific directives but the need exists. The missionary education of youth and students on the local and sub-district levels needs to be strengthened. The training of adult leaders on local and sub-district levels is needed. A School of Missions for Youth has been requested. One youth from each district will attend the Jurisdictional Conference on Missions at Mt. Sequoyah in August. A resident missionary in the conference to assist in meetings with youth is greatly needed. In meeting these needs it was felt that cooperation in the total youth program was necessary.

Mrs. Dameron reported for the Tour Committee. Upon reading the progress report of the committee, she moved that the report be printed in its entirety in the Annual Report. Motion carried. The report is as follows:

"The Committee on Tours is an outgrowth of a temporary committee which came together during the 1958 session of the School of Missions and Christian Service to study the problems and values connected with Mission Tours. The two following projects, resulting from the discussions of the temporary committee, are being carried forward by the permanent committee:

"1. To distribute a mimeographed sheet setting forth the purpose of a Mission Tour and giving directives for such tours in the Louisiana Conference. This sheet, called "Methodist Tours in the Louisiana Conference," has now been sent to every Pastor and Director of Christian Education in the Conference; to the members of the Executive Committee of the Conference Woman's Society; to the Secretaries of Youth and Student Work and Missionary Personnel of the District Societies; to the District Directors of Youth Work; to all Directors of Church and Woman's Division projects in the Conference; and to the Conference Secretaries of Missionary Personnel and Wesleyan Service Guild throughout the South Central Jurisdiction.

"2. To publish a booklet—and, perhaps, later a brochure—on the Church and Woman's Division projects in the Louisiana Conference. Materials have been gathered and are now being edited for this booklet, which will contain pertinent information about every Church-related institution in the conference and about points of special interest—chiefly historical—to Methodist people. It will be distributed, upon request, through the office of the Conference Board of Education, to tour groups within the Conference and to those visiting Louisiana from other areas.

"From its beginning, the Committee on Tours has functioned cooperatively with the Conference Board of Education and with representatives from some of the institutions which are objects of visitation by tour groups. The permanent committee plans to continue this cooperative relationship.

"Since this committee is a new one, whose duties have, as yet, not been clearly defined, it has functioned primarily in relation to needs, concerning tours, as those arose. However, the committee looks forward to rendering additional service by interpreting the purpose and values of Mission Tours; by giving guidance, upon request, in planning tours; by gathering and providing information about institutions to visit in other conferences; and by working toward a tour for Louisiana youth to other areas of the Church."

Mrs. Pomeroy spoke briefly about the Evaluation Sheets. They were collected by the Pages and given to the recording secretary. The compilation of findings will aid greatly in planning the Annual Meeting for 1960 and years thereafter.

Mrs. Whitaker moved the adoption of the officers' Recommendations as printed in the packet. Motion carried.

Mrs. Kilpatrick announced a post-executive Committee Meeting following the session in the Game Room of the Educational Building. Dr. Vela Cleveland was invited to attend as a special guest.

A collection was taken for the janitors of the church, in appreciation of their special services.

Miss Sue Batton reporting for the Journal Committee, stated that the minutes had been examined and found in order.

Mrs. B. F. Patterson, Jr., chairman of Resolutions, reported for the committee as follows:

"We, the delegates and members of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in session in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 4-6, 1959, wish to express our sincere gratitude for the rich spiritual experience that has been ours.

"Especially do we thank the hostess society, First Methodist Church, and the other churches, their pastors, and the District Superintendent for their cooperative efforts towards making this Annual Meeting a success.

"We recognize and appreciate the courtesies extended the Executive Committee prior to the opening of the Annual Meeting.

"To Mrs. Glen Nordyke, General Chairman, and to all who served on her committees with untiring efforts to meet our every need, we express heartfelt thanks.

"For the efficient services of the Pages, the refreshing coffee hours, the buffet luncheon, transportation and hospitality extended the guests and the lovely table decorations, we are indeed grateful.

"We extend thanks to the ladies of the Second Presbyterian Church, the University Presbyterian Church, and the First Christian Church for serving the lovely meals.

"To the Program Committee we express our deep appreciation for the outstanding messages and beautiful music which have filled our hearts.

"We extend special thanks to the Wesley Players from Louisiana State University who presented the skit, "To Speak and Act Boldly."

"We owe a debt of gratitude to Mrs. W. W. Paxton, through whose efforts the light of the Missionary Candle burned brightly throughout this Annual Meeting as a symbol of the dedicated Christian workers around the world and to remind us that we, as well as they, carry "Immortal Tidings in Mortal Hands."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. P. Gray, Jr.
Mrs. Clyde Toadvin
Mrs. B. F. Patterson, Jr., Chairman

Mrs. Patterson moved the adoption of the report. The delegates and visitors gave a rising vote of appreciation and acceptance.

Preceding the noon-day worship, Mrs. Kilpatrick expressed appreciation to Mrs. Marquardt for her inspiring messages.

A very unusual treat of the worship time was the music by the Bell Ringers, with Mr. Marvin Genuchi conducting. He stated that his group was the only bell choir in the state of Louisiana.

"And the Word Became Flesh—in Me" was the topic of Mrs. Marquardt's meditation.

She stated that God wraps up ideas in persons. It was Paul in Rome; Martin Luther in Germany; and John Wesley in England. It was Marian Conroe in her thirty-seventh year on the campus of Ewha College in Korea. She is a great inspiration where she serves and has said "there is no one to take my place; why would not someone want to come to Ewha?" God seeks to wrap up an idea in a person who will give even a cup of water to one. Thelma Maw at the Methodist Mission in Seoul, Korea is such a one. In a village in the Philippines there is a student

center from which two young people have come to study in the United States. Marian Walker came home for furlough from the Philippines, stayed six months and returned to her work because of the shortage of workers. Martha Vanderburg in Lima, Peru says, "Here is God's assignment for me." She works in a social center which carries on evangelistic work. It all began with a Vacation Church School; the program grew and finally a building was erected. If you were to go there you would see many dreams walking. She needed a furlough, but there was no one to take her place. God does not always wrap his ideas up in such as have been named; but in just ordinary people like you and me. In Jesus' day he gathered the fisherman, the tax collectors, people from many walks of life to follow Him. What are our missionaries saying to us? What is their obedience saying to us? I know. Do you know? Paul said, "I **know** in whom I am persuaded." Do you know the organization to which you belong? Only one Methodist woman in three is a member of the Woman's Society; we have failed. We serve in thirty-two countries. Five small countries in South America have not heard the message of our Lord. Three-fourths of the people of the world go to bed hungry; one-half the people are illiterate. People are anxious, eager for education. We support over 2,000 workers. Eight hundred seventeen missionaries are needed this year. Support of the work is some nine million dollars. The overpayment of the pledge by one-half million dollars enables the Woman's Division to carry on its work. Woman's Society, do you really believe in the Methodist Church—its purpose, its program, its goals and implementation through you? Will you serve, practice the principles in the niche where you stand? Will you ask, seek and knock wherever and however, that His way may be known? Give prayers, service and gifts. When God has wanted a job done He wraps up the idea in a person. We carry out His will; recieve blessing; give glory, honor, and wisdom to Him.

Dr. Dawson, the host pastor, offered the benediction.

Mrs. Kilpatrick declared the Nineteenth Annual Meeting adjourned.

A buffet Luncheon was served to delegates and visitors as a courtesy of the Baton Rouge Churches.

POST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday Noon—March 6, 1959

The Post Executive Committee Meeting was held in the Game Room of the Educational Building of First Methodist Church.

After the buffet luncheon, Mrs. Kilpatrick presented Dr. Vela Cleveland with an envelope containing a monetary gift from the Executive Committee.

A period of time was spent in offering suggestions to the Annual Meeting Program Committee chairman for the meeting of 1960. The chairman is Mrs. C. B. McGowan. Evaluation Sheets were turned over to Mrs. P. D. Lambert who will study them and make the compilation.

A note of resignation was read from Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, chairman of the Research Committee. Mrs. Dameron moved that it be accepted with regret. Motion carried. The Administrative committee will fill the vacancy

Mrs. Kilpatrick announced the Committee on Mid-Year and Annual Meeting Place as follows: Mrs. James C. Whitaker, chairman, Mrs. Carl Gallaher and Miss Sue Batton.

The committee formed a circle and Mrs. Laskey dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Approved:
Miss Sue Batton
Mrs. J. B. Mouton, Sr.

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
President
Mrs. James C. Whitaker
Recording Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

TELLING THE TIDINGS IN LOUISIANA

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick

Tonight let us think together of "telling the tidings" in Louisiana in two ways. First, how do you or I tell the tidings? Second, how are the tidings told through others?

First, then how can you, or how can I, tell the tidings? Let us think of the meaning of the word "telling." The dictionary defines "telling" as, "declaring, stating, informing." If we are to tell the tidings—the good news of Jesus Christ—we must first ourselves know something of the tidings worth telling, something worth declaring, something worth stating, something about which we feel impelled to inform others.

So, the first step in telling the tidings is that we need to know the good news ourselves. Each one of us must take the New Testament—the Tidings—the Good News—and make it come alive in our own life.

Therefore, if we have the New Testament within, then not only in words, but in deeds will it come alive in our own lives and generation. The deeds are far more important than the words. The deeds will declare, will state, will inform, will tell those who come in the orbit of our influence. We hear so much today about communicating. We study better methods of communication between people, which is certainly something we need to do; but words are not the only method nor the best method of communicating. Only deeds are bright, luminous, and clear. Deeds tell what we really mean. Actions not only speak louder than words; they are the highest out-pouring of our souls.

I recall Mrs. Bragg, our former Division President, saying at Assembly last year, "We can witness in our hotel, and in the taxi." That is telling the tidings today, is it not? Think of her words as we are gathered here in Baton Rouge. Let us by our actions witness in our hotel and in the taxi, to all those about us.

Let us consider some of the ways we come to have the New Testament within, so that we may tell the tidings. You are familiar with the ways we grow spiritually as members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We study the Bible together. This year we are studying Isaiah. Next year we will study the Book of Luke.

Many societies have prayer groups, where the women come together in close communion with God and their prayer partner. Do you have a prayer group in your society? We have prayer calendars and when we use these we practice praying not only for ourselves, our families, and our community, but our prayers go out for our workers, our missionaries, and our work around the world. We learn and grow in our studies,—home, foreign, and Christian social relations studies.

Down through the ages man has tried to describe God. He has tried to do it with words; but man has found no better way to describe God than to point to Jesus Christ and attempt to live by the pattern He gave us. Thus we are telling the tidings by pointing to Jesus and attempting to live by the pattern He gave us.

We, who call ourselves Christians, believe in a God-given destiny. We are convinced that God has something to do with each of us and means to do it. Martin Luther stated thus, "Let no man lose the faith that God wills to do a great work in him." But you ask, "How can God will to do great things through me?"

That brings us to consider the second part of our "telling the tidings" in Louisiana. How are others telling the tidings? Let us think

of our woman's organization. Methodist Women have been organized since 1869 and have been credited with sparking many movements that have had far-reaching results in building a better world. The interest and loyalty of countless thousands of dedicated women have made possible the greatness which the organization has achieved.

Today the Woman's Society is made great and continues so by you and one million eight hundred thousand other women, and by our pledge to missions which resulted in giving over eight million dollars to our work. We are telling the tidings in Louisiana through our 335 societies and 99 Guilds; through our giving of $118,000 in 1958 to missions.

We must tell ourselves, and rightly, that each of us is an essential part of this organization,—that God wills to do a great work through us. We are committed to maintaining certain work and workers around the world. We have work in 32 countries. We are responsible for the support of more than two thousand deaconesses, missionaries, and employed workers. We contribute to the support of approximately eight hundred projects in the foreign field and three hundred and twenty in the home field. Some of these workers are from Louisiana, some of this work is in Louisiana, and thus the tidings are being told.

Those of us who were privileged to attend the Fifth Assembly in St. Louis will long remember our three fine young women from Louisiana who were commissioned. They were: Norma Garlington, who is employed now as a Religious Education Director at the First Methodist Church at Crowley, Louisiana; Margaret Wade Campbell of Alexandria, who has returned to the MacDonell Social Center at Durango, Mexico; and Dr. Vela Cleveland of New Orleans, who sails this month to serve in the Pediatrics Department of our Methodist Hospital in Kolar, India. Did you know that some of your increase in pledge to the Woman's Division goes to pay one-half of Dr. Cleveland's salary? We are happy to share this privilege with the Florida Conference, since Dr. Cleveland has elected to call Louisiana her adopted home state along with Florida, her home.

There are others from Louisiana who are telling the tidings. Many of you remember Gretchen Elston, of Shreveport. Several years ago she served in Japan. She was there four years as a J-3 teaching in a language school. She returned to the United States to re-enter school so that she might go as a full-time missionary to Japan. While she was in the United States studying, she met a young man who made a decision to become a missionary, and he and Gretchen are now serving together. They were married recently in Kobe, Japan. Gretchen's mother has shared some letters written by them to her, with me. I wish I had time to read all of these letters to you. Mr. Benner, Gretchen's husband, wrote in speaking of the wedding day, "I never thought I would walk my bride down a dusty road." Gretchen wrote, "Pat (her husband) had the first meeting of his Bible Class yesterday. He had a good group for the first time. Nine came,—all university students, or young working people. Three of them Christians. They are going to study Matthew." Pat said in his letter, "You should hear Gretchen chatter in Japanese. She modestly deprecates her achievement, but Japanese say she speaks like one of them, and I am continuously amazed at her ease in interpreting for me in every situation—and I am not always easy to interpret for, even in English." Further he says, "God is in what we've done and we will make a good life for Him."

Miss Elma Ashby, a nurse from Fluker, Louisiana in the Baton Rouge district, who has been stationed in Southern Rhodesia, Africa, has been home on leave and for study. She wrote from New York in late June, "I just finished my school work and graduated June 8. I am eager to get back and apply my new knowledge in the nursing program."

I wish time would permit me to tell you something of each of the 33 missionaries, deaconesses, contract and employed workers, either from Louisiana or working in Louisiana, and something of the retired missionaries and deaconesses from Louisiana; but I hope you get news of these from the "Missionary Minute" that comes to your society periodically. I do want to call your attention to a letter from Mrs. Marquardt, leader of our noon-day worship, in which she has suggested something for each of us to do. Quoting from her recent letter—"Just think what great things could happen if every woman in every local society joined heart and hand at the nine o'clock hour to pray for missionaries, for mission stations, and for the strengthening of our missionary outreach." May the missionaries count on your prayers?

I know you are familiar with our projects in Louisiana. It is through the dedicated workers of these institutions at St. Mark's Community Center, New Orleans; People's Community Center, New Orleans; MacDonell Methodist Center, Houma; Dulac Indian Center, Dulac; Sager-Brown Home and Godman School, Baldwin; Business Girls' Inn, Shreveport; our three Wesley Foundations on the college campuses; and our Rural Work in St. Tammany Parish that the tidings are told in Louisiana.

There is a story told of a certain man who lost his vision. He visited a certain doctor who gave him some physical manipulations which restored his sight, but left him without his memory. In subsequent treatments by the same doctor, it was revealed the patient could have either his vision or his memory, but not both. When called upon to state his choice, he wisely said, "Give me my eyes. I had rather see where I am going than to remember where I have been." We, to, must look at where we are going with immortal tidings entrusted to our mortal hands. We must not just remember where we have been, what we have accomplished; but we must look to where we are going.

We have a committee functioning now to determine whether we need to open new rural work in the northern part of our state. We will need to find a worker for rural work, if this committee and the Woman's Division deem it wise to open that type of work in North Louisiana.

The Woman's Division has challenged us to examine where we are going by asking us to set up a committee to look into the matter of new work all over our conference to be submitted to the Woman's Division for consideration. This is something for each of us to have on our hearts as we return to our communities. Where can we serve? Where is the need for new work in Louisiana?

The Department of Christian Social Relations has asked that we think more of the church and womanpower. The Woman's Division is very wisely seeking data and studying the effect of the increase in the employment of women on the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild. We on the local, district and conference levels need to be aware of this increase in the employment of women and consider its effect in our own conference.

The Guild is making fine progress in Louisiana, for eight units have been organized and two re-organized this year. That is fine, but this matter of employed women effects the Woman's Society as well as the Wesleyan Service Guild. We need to study this matter on all levels.

We need to think together, as we study this year the "Churches Mission in Town and Country," of the migrant situation in our own state. You, here in the Baton Rouge District particularly, are aware of the needs of the migrant workers as they come into the strawberry fields.

There is to be another White House Conference on Children and Youth, scheduled in 1960. The Woman's Division expresses the hope that Conference Woman's Societies will give their full support to such plans as are made within their state for this White House Conference, and if possible make provisions for sending a conference representative.

We need the help of every member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, if we are to assume our responsibilities in helping to recruit new workers. The need is so great in so many fields—in agriculture, home economics, business, secretarial, medical, (including doctors, nurses, dentists, technicians); church, social work, and educational. How are we to fill these needs? Would you like to help in this great recruitment program? You can, if you will. You may, if you are parents, help your children see the joy and sense of fulfillment in entering full-time Christian service. I heard Dr. Marcus Birrwell, Executive Secretary for the Inter Board Committee on Christian Vocations, on this matter of recruitment, recently say, "The church needs to fill jobs with workers but it has a great responsibility to fill the prospective workers with the jobs,—a sense of fulfillment in their work." If you are a church leader, you can help young people know their faith and how to share their faith with others. The heart of our recruitment program is in the local church. Do each of you in your local church have a Christian Vocations Committee? A committee that shall see that the philosophy of Christian Vocation is regularly presented to the youth and adults? Let us resolve to do all that we can to seek out those who can dedicate their lives to full-time Christian Vocations so that through our workers the tidings can be told.

These are just a few of the plans that we are to work on in the future. Someone has said, "We need to take off our hats to the past, but our coats off to the future."

Did you ever stand before one of the world's great masterpieces in a museum, or hear a great symphony, or see a first edition of a book that swayed the minds of men through the centuries? As you looked on these things or heard this great music played, played as nearly as it is humanly possible as the composer, who lived some two hundred years ago, played it or thought of it being played; did you think how wonderful it would be for you to give to coming generations something that would enlarge their vision, something that would fill their minds and hearts with the beauty of music, or something to live in them as the message a great painting can bring? This is possible for us as we invest our gifts, our prayers, our services; as we help those who go out to smooth the highway of our God, to teach, to heal, and to preach salvation of our Lord, thereby enlarging vision, filling the minds and hearts of men with the beauty of God, creating a chain of thinking and of living in the lives of those who have never before known our Lord,—that chain which would extend on and on, not only into the few hundred years, as a symphony, or a painting but down to the end of time in mortals. God trusts immortal tidings in mortal hands and trusts that each generation of mortal hands,—our generation, yours and mine, will take the New Testament and make it come alive in our lives and in the life of those who come within the orbit of our influence. "Let no man lose the faith that God wills to do a great work in him."

VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy

"Christ For The World We Sing, The World To Christ We Bring" has been the theme of Louisiana Vice Presidents as they have done creative Program Planning, presented World Federation and performed the duties of the Vice President in 1958-59. Varied techniques, a wider use of visual aids, and definite planned action for each Program have resulted in greater interest and increased giving.

Vice Presidents have been effective this year because many have participated in training programs. The Vice Presidents' clinics at The School of Missions and the Annual Meeting, Program planning enrichment at Seminars, Officers' Training on local and District levels have all made them aware of the importance of well-planned, well-executed and well-evaluated Programs. Our emphasis for next year must be on aims, purposes, and evaluation.

The World Federation of Methodist Women has been presented 374 times in Societies this year. The Filmstrip, "Methodist Women World Wide Friends," has been used in nearly all Dstricts. Interesting and stimulating presentations have made Methodist women of Louisiana more conscious of our ties to the other Methodist groups in the world.

United Nations Day, World Community Day, Human Rights Day, May Fellowship Day, Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, Thank Offering Services, Days Apart, and World Day of Prayer have all been observed with effective Programs. District Vice Presidents deserve the praise for this fine year's work.

Reports have improved in number and quality.

	No. of Societies	Periods 1	2	3
Alexandria	39	32	36	38
Baton Rouge	62	50	48	51
Lafayette*	28	28	26	26
Lake Charles	29	29	29	28
Monroe	53	42	41	43
New Orleans	38	35	32	32
Ruston	38	32	33	34
Shreveport*	46	46	47	47

*100% for year.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We commend Vice Presidents for their intelligence, ingenuity and devotion in directing the educational program of the Woman's Society and recommend that we continue to:

1. Plan with the program committee for the regular monthly meetings; the circle meetings; special days; study classes and action resulting from study and program presentation.

2. We recommend the program and worship booklets, "There's A Light Upon The Mountains", to be used in the general meetings and circles; programs be formulated from materials in **The Methodist Woman**, the **Nineteenth Annual Report** of the Woman's Division", **World Outlook** and other Church publications.

3. We also recommend that purposes for each program and study be set forth and if speakers are invited that we inform them of the subject of the program and the purpose to be accomplished.

4. We recommend regular meetings of the program committee not only for planning programs, but to evaluate those programs or studies already presented. We feel that we shall never fully ac-

complish the purpose of programs and studies unless we evaluate the presentations.

5. We suggest "World Federation of Methodist Women" be presented each reporting period and that we seek to make the "World Federation" more real and its purposes more vital. Remember there may be one of the North American Units of the World Federation near you.

6. We recommend that use be made of missionaries, deaconesses, or workers from nearby institutions of the Woman's Division as missionary speakers.

7. We recommend that programs and studies be made more attractive and meaningful by using varied modern techniques of presentation including group involvement.

8. We suggest the program committee begin its work as soon as monthly themes are available in the fliers.

9. We recommend that vice-presidents avail themselves of every opportunity for leadership training on every level—sub-district, district, or conference meetings, educational seminars, workshops, officer training or school of missions.

10. Reports should be made carefully and promptly each October, February and June first.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Mrs. James C. Whitaker

The Drake Printing Company of Shreveport printed 800 copies of the **Eighteenth Annual Report.** The cost of printing and mailing was $1249.41. Fifty-three copies were sold for cash.

In addition to editing the Annual Report, there have been many secretarial duties performed. It has been a great privilege and joy to work very closely with the president, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick.

Since this Report reflects the progress and plans of the conference, appreciation is due every member of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild.

Specific uses for which this book is prepared are found in the FOREWORD.

It is hoped that the recording secretary in each local society will feel that her work is very essential to the work of the Woman's Society and that she will be glad for the privilege of serving.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Be a student of:

   A Guide
   Nineteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division
   Nineteenth Annual Report of Louisiana Conference
   Woman's Society of Christian Service
   "Constitution and By-Laws"
   Parliamentary Procedure

2. Be a user of correct terminology of the Woman's Society and encourage others to do so.

3. Be an assistant to the president in all phases of the work.

4. Be a subscriber to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.

5. Be a recorder of accurate, concise minutes, neatly written or typed and in permanent form; keep all official records in good condition and safely stored. A list of Charter Members and Special Memberships should be included among the permanent records.

6. Be a distributor of Membership Cards and Transfer Cards to those who move from your society. These may be obtained free for postage from Literature Headquarters.

7. Be a collector of tools (materials valuable to your office) to pass on to your successor.

8. Be a spiritual person, always available, prompt, conscientious and prayerful, having a zeal for the work of the Woman's Society and performing your duties.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

May 20, 1958—May 20, 1959

Mrs. J. H. McSween, Conference Treasurer

	Balance	Additions	Deductions	Balance
Balance in Bank	$3,915.33	$161,745.66	$160,174.03	$ 5,486.96
Rapides Bldg. & Loan Ass'n	3,000.00			3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n	2,908.43	117.48*		3,025.91
	9,823.76	161,863.14	160,174.03	11,512.87

*Dividend posted direct to Pass Book

Designated Funds:				
Alcohol Education		2,436.07	2,436.07	.00
Transient Funds	—26.61	151.61	345.24	—220.24
Guild Week-end		866.67	866.67	.00
Cultivation	3,941.94	9,575.00	8,905.56	
Returns To Cultivation:				
Meal Tickets Assembly		17.50		
Jurisdiction School Missions		37.35		
Dividend Rapides Bldg. & Loan Ass'n		120.00		
Postage		.25		
Seminar Funds, School of Missions		214.10		
Conference School of Missions		58.63		
Journals sold		26.50		
Jurisdiction Kansas City		120.84		
Room Rent Districts Jurisdiction School of Missions 1958		60.00		
Offering Annual Meeting		303.62		
Registration Guild Annual Meeting		137.03		5,707.20
	3,915.33	14,125.17	12,553.54	5,486.96

Cash Receipts and Disbursements

Balance in Bank May 20, 1958	$3,915.33
Rapides Building & Loan Association	3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n (Cash for Supply Work)	2,908.43

Districts	Amount Pledged	Amount Paid		
Alexandria	$ 9,750.00	$ 11,050.29		
Baton Rouge	15,595.00	18,469.17		
Lafayette	8,175.00	9,709.45		
Lake Charles	12,100.00	14,199.62		
Monroe	15,595.00	16,248.46		
New Orleans	14,220.00	15,101.93		
Ruston	14,540.00	13,076.06		
Shreveport	24,000.00	30,190.85		
	113,975.00	128,045.83		
School of Missions		134.74		
Guild Week-end		145.74		
Guild Annual Meeting		229.46		
Total on Pledge			$128,555.77	
Youth			3,870.20	
Children			195.75	
Total on Appropriations			132,621.72	
Cash for Supply Work			16,754.40	
Week of Prayer			7,762.43	
Supplementary			202.68	
Alcohol Education			2,436.07	
Transient Funds			151.61	
Returns to Cultivation			1,095.82	
Guild Week-end			720.93	161,745.66
Plus Dividend First Federal Savings & Loan posted direct to Pass Book				117.48
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR (Less Reserve for Cultivation)				171,686.90

Disbursements

To Woman's Division of Christian Service		
W S C S		
Pledge	$86,496.15	
Jurisdiction Projects	2,376.16	
In Remembrance	1,250.50	
My World Bank	2,743.98	
Special Memberships	9,425.00	$102,291.79
Guild		
Pledge	$13,517.63	
Jurisdiction Projects	384.47	
In Remembrance	104.69	
My World Bank	302.19	
Special Memberships	2,380.00	16,688.98
TOTAL ON PLEDGE		118,980.77
Youth		3,870.20
Children		195.75
TOTAL ON APPROPRIATIONS		$123,046.72

Cash for Supply Work, WSCS		15,049.91	
Cash for Supply Work, Guild		1,704.49	
Week of Prayer, WSCS		6,583.61	
Week of Prayer, Guild		1,178.82	
Supplementary:			
Guild Crusade Scholarships	$ 15.00		
Guild Home Undesignated	15.00		
Guild Foreign Undesignated	15.00		
WSCS Crusade Scholarships	157.68	202.68	
TOTAL TO WOMAN'S DIVISION			147,766.23
Transient Funds		345.24	
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation		2,436.07	
Guild Week-end		720.93	3,502.24

Conference

Cultivation	**Budgeted**	**Disbursed**		
Officers' Expense	$1,000.00	$ 513.88		
Annual Meeting	1,200.00	1,668.72*		
Annual Minutes	1,200.00	1,249.41*		
Mid-Year Executive Meeting	250.00	234.27		
Jurisdiction Meeting	750.00	750.00*		
Conference School Missions	800.00	1,118.77*		
Jurisdiction School Missions	450.00	578.41*		
Christian Social Relations	200.00	200.00		
Conference Work Shops	100.00			
Christian Career Clinics	200.00			
Conference Youth Director	600.00	600.00		
Co-operative Meetings	300.00			
Student Regional Conference	100.00			
Division Cultivation	40.00	35.00		
Jurisdiction Cultivation	420.00	699.90		
Miscellaneous	785.00	217.74**		
Wesleyan Service Guild	1,180.00	1,039.46***		
	$9,575.00		$8,905.56	$160,174.03
Balance in Bank May 20, 1959				5,486.96
Rapides Building & Loan Association				3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Association (Cash for Supply Work)				3,025.91
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR				$171,686.90

*Denotes refund to these accounts. See Amount under "Designated Funds"

**Detailed Miscellaneous Disbursements:

Alexandria District Cultivation	$100.00
Stationery	13.57
Bonding Nine Treasurers	77.76
Information on "Tours"	8.67
Missionary Minute	17.74
	217.74

***Detailed Guild Disbursements:

Conference School of Missions	$ 43.86
Jurisdiction School of Missions	169.09
Conference Secretary, Mrs. Rabun	30.06
Conference Secretary, Miss Batton	99.01
Conference Secretary of Supply Work	1.45
Jurisdiction Cultivation	100.10
Division Cultivation	5.00
Coaching Conference	52.20
Program Committee Guild Week-end	12.50
Guild Times	200.00
Guild Annual Meeting	326.19
	1,039.46

This is to certify that we have examined the books of Mrs. John H. McSween, Treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Louisiana Conference, and have reconciled the bank balance to the above figures.

We found the books to be in excellent condition, and maintained in an orderly manner.

J. LEE MOAK Bookkeeping-Tax Service
By: Howard L. Bales

RECOMMENDATIONS

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

1. That the pledge to Missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1959-1960 be $106,975.00.
2. That the Districts' pledge to Conference be:

Alexandria	$ 10,000.00
Baton Rouge	16,675.00
Lafayette	9,000.00
Lake Charles	12,100.00
Monroe	15,450.00
New Orleans	14,350.00
Ruston	14,000.00
Shreveport	25,000.00
	$116,575.00

3. That the budget for 1959-1960 be as follows:

Officers' Expense	1,000.00
Annual Meeting	1,200.00
Annual Minutes	1,250.00
Mid-year Executive meeting	250.00
Jurisdiction Meeting	750.00
Conference School of Missions	800.00
Jurisdiction School of Missions	450.00
Christian Social Relations	200.00
Conference Workshops	100.00
Christian Career Clinics	200.00
Conference Youth Director	600.00
Co-Operative meetings	300.00
Student Regional Conference	100.00
Division Cultivation	35.00
Jurisdiction Cultivation	700.00
Miscellaneous	465.00
Guild	1,200.00
	$9,600.00

4. That our President be sent to the Executive Committee Meeting of the Woman's Division at Buck Hill Falls in January 1960.

5. That only one copy of recommendations be sent by the Officers and Secretaries to be included in the packets for the Annual Meeting.

6. That the Louisiana Rural Advisory Committee be allowed expenses for one meeting per year.

7. That the Secretary of Missionary Service be allowed $60.00 per year for printing and mailing "The Missionary Minute."

8. That, if necessary, the Treasurer be allowed to withhold up to 15% of the pledge to the Woman's Division in order to meet the increased cost of Conference Cultivation for the years 1958-1959 and 1959-1960.

9. That up to 15% of the pledge to the Woman's Division be set aside by the Treasurer each year beginning with 1960-1961 for Cultivation Funds.

10. That the Treasurer encourage members of the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild to increase per capita giving, stressing over and above giving on Pledge.

11. That emphasis be given to the importance and significance of the Pledge Service in both the Woman's Society and the Guild.

12. That the $96.00—5 minute Plan be given special emphasis.

13. That "offerings as a result of study" be applied on projects within the appropriations.

14. That Annuities, Wills and Bequests be emphasized, sending names and addresses of interested persons to the Diviion Treasurer.

PROMOTION

Mrs. C. W. Tebow

As I make the final report in my capacity as Secretary of Promotion, I do so with mixed emotions. I find that we have grown some in organization, but have lost some in membership. This continues to be our greatest need, a way to interest the many church women who are not now a part of our great organization. We have a net loss of 34 members this year in spite of the fact that we reported 1269 new members. Let us remember that a woman is not a new member when she transfers from some other society. Many societies are still reporting new members incorrectly. During the coming year, let us encourage membership contests, fellowship teas, "Each one Win one", or any other method that may prove fruitful in securing new members.

Lake Charles and New Orleans Districts continue to be 100% organized and 100% reporting each period. Alexandria District is 100% organized and Shreveport District was 100% reporting each period. Lafayette and Ruston Districts reported 100% the last two periods and Baton Rouge and Monroe Districts have reduced their number of unorganized churches in this year. We now have only 23 unorganized churches in the conference and many of these are in the process of being organized with a society or district member.

Let us continue to pray for the organization and promotion of our great work throughout our conference that in the year to come, even more will be able to know, "The Spirit of Christ—For All of Life."

ANNUAL REPORT
1959-1960

Organization	Alexandria	Baton Rouge	Lafayette	Lake Charles	Monroe	New Orleans	Ruston	Shreveport	Conference Totals
No. Societies	39	64	26	29	52	38	38	47	333
Net Gain	0	4	—2	0	3	1	—7	—1	—2
Districts 100% Organized	*			*		*			3
No. Unorganized Churches	0	4	7	0	5	0	4	3	23
Districts 100% Reporting			2,3	1,2,3	2	1,2,3	2,3	1,2,3	Per.
New Members W.S.C.S.	131	183	64	190	172	220	103	206	1269
Total Members W.S.C.S.	1117	2097	1134	1481	1901	1655	1591	2866	13842
New District Members	0	1	0	0	2	2	6	0	11
Total District Members	39	2	8	10	3	10	38	12	122
Total Membership	1156	2099	1142	1491	1904	1665	1629	2878	13964
Net Gain	—11	54	—28	31	39	—71	—72	24	—34

Conference Totals for Years	**1957-58**	**and 1958-59**	**Net Gain**
Number of Societies	335	333	—2
Number of Unorganized Chs.	28	23	5
Number Members, W.S.C.S.	13881	13842	—39
Number Dist. Members	117	122	5
Total W.S.C.S. Membership	13998	13964	—34

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That we continue to make every effort to secure the organization of a Woman's Society in every church.

2. That we seek to organize circuit societies, and enlist district members in isolated areas where it is not advisable to have a society in every church.

3. That help and encouragement be given all societies by Conference and District Secretaries of Promotion, using the following methods:

   (a) Personal visits.

   (b) Prompt channeling of information.

   (c) Encouraging the use of group techniques in all societies.

   (d) Urging attendance at Zone, District, and Conference meetings.

4. That we make earnest effort to increase our membership by actively engaging in a membership campaign in every church, in cooperation with the Wesleyan Service Guild.

5. That leadership training be provided at all levels, which would include Officer Training in the local society, training of District Officers in the conference, and the attendance at Conference and Jurisdictoin Schools of Missions by those eligible to attend these schools.

6. That we seek to become better informed through the use and study of **A Guide** Handbooks, **The Methodist Woman**, and the Report Books.

7. That we strive to gain a better understanding of the inter-relatedness of the work, as we study the following:
   (a) Relationship of the Local Society to District, Conference, Jurisdiction, and the Woman's Division.
   (b) Relationship of the Woman's Society to the Church.
   (c) Relationship of the Woman's Society to the Wesleyan Service Guild.
   (d) Relationship of the Circle to the Woman's Society.
   (e) The inter-relatedness of all lines of work and the co-operation of all officers as they share in committee activities and service.

8. That we continue to hold the goal of 100% reporting before us, and that we encourage the keeping of more accurate records in the local society, as a means of better reporting.

9. That the use of furloughed and retired missionaries in local churches and in other community gatherings, as well as at Zone, District, and Conference meetings, be encouraged.

10. That we keep before us the Purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, as we seek to achieve our Quadrennial Goals—"The Spirit of Christ—For All of Life."

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Mrs. Kathleen Waggoner

The Alexandria District has had an excellent year's work in promoting the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Our seminar was held at Pineville Church, and the studies for the year presented by our Conference and District Officers. The results have been gratifying with more than one thousand women being enrolled in Study Classes.

Much interest has been shown in the Student Work; also progress has been made in the youth and children's work with more activities and study classes. Finances have been sent to various centers by these fine groups. A group of Friendship Girls has been organized at Colfax.

Membership, officers training, and Program building were stressed in the Zone Meetings which were well planned. The attendance was above average.

Literature and free materials were displayed at zone meetings, seminar, and District Meeting. Societies were kept informed of all new material as it came off the press.

A very fine program was executed at the District Conference held in Lecompte. Miss Alice Alsup was the guest speaker.

The Alexandria District has thirty-nine societies with Membership of 1017 (not including Wesleyan Serivce Guild). We have gained 131 new members this year.

Again this year our pledge and askings for supplies have been over paid. Contributions from "My World Bank" have been good and alcohol fund increased.

We are grateful for the achievements of the past year and as we enter a new year of work each one prays "Thy will be done," that we may attain our goal: the Spirit of Christ for all of Life.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Mrs. A. O. Buckingham

The year 1958-59 has been a busy year with district and local officers working together toward promoting all phases of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Membership has been stressed and new members added to our rolls. Five new societies have been organized: Clear Creek, Grand River, James Chapel, Jefferson and St. Paul—giving the district a total of 64 societies and 2 district members. We failed in our effort to get district members in the remaining four small churches. Our total membership is 2,097, plus two district members.

We more than doubled our askings for Home Missions and overpaid the Foreign Mission askings by $361.61. Our District Secretary of Supply Work has worked faithfully to reach this new record.

Fall Zone meetings were well attended. Interesting programs were presented by district officers on the relationship of local societies with District, Conference, Jurisdiction, Woman's Division and General Board of Missions.

Thirty-four societies were represented at Seminar with 143 in attendance. The sale of literature amounted to $208.96, an increase over last year.

In addition to review of studies for the year, Institutes for Children and Youth Workers were included for the first time and proved successful.

Baton Rouge District was honored to have the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society at First Church, Baton Rouge, with record attendance.

The Annual District meeting held at Zachary had 283 registered which was a record attendance. The program was informative and time was taken for an hour of officers' training which both local and district offcers considered well spent. Miss Alice Alsup, retired missionary was guest speaker and presented an interesting review of her life in Japan.

The district and local societies again sponsored a Mission Tour for High School Seniors and Juniors under the direction of Mrs. John R. Oldham, District Secretary of Missionary Personnel. This is an annual tour and the young people look forward to it.

Additional prayer groups have been organized and use of Prayer Calendar is increasing. We have worked toward 100% reporting but four reports are lacking this period. Perhaps this goal will be reached in the coming year.

May the coming year bring new ideas and ideals with emphasis on the spiritual. This phase of the work is a continuous challenge. May the challenge be met by prayer and a deeper consecration to christian service throughout the district.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT

Mrs. T. F. Wilbanks

A full program of activities has been carried on in the district. An excellent Seminar was held at First Church, New Iberia. The program was challenging, and the book room was well stocked with texts and supplementary materials. Zone meetings have been held, Officers' Training Days observed, and District Meeting well attended. Use of the Prayer Calendar is being stressed throughout the district.

Although Mrs. Kenneth Trumps, Promotion Secretary, was compelled to resign at mid-year and Mrs. M. A. Reber, president, spent several months in Africa, the work went on with a new promotion secretary (graciously counseled by Mrs. George Thomas, first Lafayette District Secretary of Promotion) and vice-president, Mrs. M. Eloi Girard.

The number of societies dropped to 26, leaving 7 unorganized churches. A plea for help via District Newsletter brought gratifying results. Melville indicated a willingness to work with the women of Palmetto; Abbeville volunteered to help Pecan Island; Houma will assist Golden Meadow; and Jeanerette has asked for information and literature which will enable them to perfect their own organization. Surely the "Service" part of the pledge of Woman's Society is being fulfilled.

Financially, the district has done well. Pledges and askings for supplies have been overpaid.

Miss Alice Alsup, retired missionary, was guest speaker at District Meeting, and her inspiring message has incited the societies to renewed effort in broadening and deepening the scope of their work.

This has been a rewarding year. Much has been done, and the indications are that much will be accomplished in the coming year.

"Give God thy heart; thy service, and thy gold; The day wears on, and time is waxing old."

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Mrs. Robert Compton

Lake Charles District is 100% organized with 29 Societies and 10 District Members. Hornbeck has just organized a society. We have a total membership of 1,491, with a net gain for the past year of 74. Our district pledge was met, with $1,600 being sent in on Special Memberships this last quarter.

The Seminar was held in Iowa with a good attendance and the Studies were presented in an interesting and inspiring way. Many of the members took advantage of the book room which is provided at all zone and district meetings. There is an increase in Study Classes over the District.

At our fall zone Meeting, reports on the Workers and Deaconesses who were at the School of Missions, were given by members who attended the school. The district officers trained the local officers at the spring zone meeting. Most every society was represented.

Lake Charles, First Church entertained the district Annual Meeting where Miss Alice Alsup shared her experiences as a missionary in Japan and other countries. A very interesting program, business and election of officers made it a profitable day.

Each society accepted and paid their askings for Home and Foreign Supply Work. "The Christmas in August" parties were very successful with the district contributing $138.89. An increase in the coupons from our district is evident.

Our District Secretary of Christian Social Relations has stressed her work. "Trick or Treat" over the district resulted in 12 churches participating in an offering of $777.62.

More emphasis has been placed on Children and Youth Work over the district. The secretaries report an increase in Children's Work and Youth Work, in general. Many have benefited from Caravan's and Retreats. The M. Y. Fund is increasing by the youth accepting their personal pledge. A Youth Delegate attended the Conference on Missions at Mt. Sequoyah last year and we expect to have another one this year.

The district officers feel that we have grown this year as evidenced in our meetings and in our reporting. Many officers had 100% reporting. We are grateful for the achievements of this past year and are looking forward to a better year as we continue to work and pray together—"in the Spirit of Christ for all of Life."

MONROE DISTRICT

Mrs. A. H. Harper

The Monroe District has had a wonderful year. We now have 52 Societies with a membership of 2691. This time last year we had 13 unorganized churches. Now we have only five, with plans for organizing a Society in one of these right away. We had 150 new members for the year.

One of our most effective pieces of promotion work has been our officers training at the five spring Zone Meetings, with the District Officers doing the training. The attendance was very good with 341 local officers receiving training. We feel we will really see the results during the next year.

We met and overpaid our pledge to Missions by $600; also met our Supply askings.

We had a wonderful attendance at our Seminar in September and spring District Meeting. There were thirty to attend the School of Missions in Shreveport and a large delegation at the Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge.

We had more JR study classes in the district and more Efficiency Classes this year.

A most challenging and rewarding experience it has been to serve as Secretary of Promotion for the District. I thank Christ Jesus, my Lord, and the good people of the Monroe District for thinking me trustworthy and giving me the chance to work in his service.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Mrs. J. E. Manis

"We humbly thank God for having had the privilege of serving and may He bless the glow of this candle as it shines through each member of each society and reaches around the world" were the words spoken as the district candle was lighted by Mrs. H. L. Helmke, a true servant whose light has been shining for the Master for fifty-two continuous

years. It was truly a beautiful service with which to begin a meeting as well as draw to a close this year's work.

To be 100% organized is a job well done but to stay 100% organized is a challenge we accept.

The candle's glow reflected in the activities of the past year: A very successful Educational Seminar held in the early fall which created the desire to study more; in cooperating with United Church Women in Community Service as well as World Missions, we have each learned a new joy of working together to serve the Master; over two hundred and fifty women will long remember the history and the challenge given by Mrs. Paul Arrington at a special meeting during the winter; a successful Christian's Vocation Clinic for Youth was held with a returned Missionary from Africa and a school teacher who had attended a work camp in Austria speaking to the group; it has been thrilling to watch the UNICEF program become a city-wide observance; an increase in giving has made it possible for our pledge to missions to be over subscribed.

Yes, the glow of the light of the New Orleans District has been bright but with God's help and the love for Jesus in the heart of each member we pray that the service during the coming year will produce an even brighter glow that will reach farther out and to greater heights.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Mrs. L. C. Aycock

Ruston District has 38 societies with a total membership of 1619. There are 38 District Members and 10 Wesleyan Service Guilds. We regret to report five of our small rural societies have disbanded with a loss of 55 members. However, 108 new members have been added through the District.

Our District Seminar, annual District Meeting, and all Zone meetings have been well attended with challenging programs given at each. All approved studies were presented and received with enthusiasm at the Seminar.

Much time and effort have been devoted to reorganizing our re-zoned District. Officers' Training Hour has been held at each meeting. The response and interest have been gratifying.

The quality of our reports has been greatly improved, but one of the urgent needs is a better understanding of reporting and the importance of responsibility each has accepted. One of our goals next year is to have better trained officers on a local level.

Our Pledge to Missions and Supply Askings were overpaid. A large number of special memberships and memorial gifts were given.

We have felt the Christian influence of our District Officers in their local societies as well as throughout the district.

For any accomplishments we have attained we feel gratefully humble. Through study and prayer may we grow in wisdom and strength to better promote the work of our great organization and do His will.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Mrs. W. D. Snelling

Shreveport District is 100% reporting and all officers have worked hard toward promoting the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We have 47 societies, 19 Wesleyan Service Guilds, 18 District Members, 206 new members to date with a total membership of 3,188.

We welcome one new society. St. Luke's. Due to loss of members by death and transfers Bethel and Pelican have no organized society.

Our four studies were well presented at Seminar in September at Mansfield. Due to the guidance of our Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. Jack Toombs, all missionary secretaries reported 100% for the entire year. Zone meetings were well attended, thanks to our zone leaders — 38 societies attended; 337 members were present. Twenty-eight societies were represented at the Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge.

Miss Alice Alsup, the guest speaker at the District meeting in April, gave an inspiring talk concerning her work in China and Japan. Mrs. G. W. Dameron led the installation service of newly elected district officers.

We are proud of our past President, Mrs. B. F. Patterson, Jr., being promoted to Conference Secretary of Promotion. We welcome Mrs. J. L. Saxon as our new District President.

By having the leadership training period at the district meeting, we hope that each officer returns to her local society, being better informed and more capable in helping others to carry on the work of the Woman's Society.

I have attended all zone meetings; one district meeting; the committee meetings of Conference and district and helped conduct Officer Training whenever needed. I feel that the women this year have been eager to learn more about the work of the Woman's Society. May we continue to do better and give more of our time to the Master.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Secretary

More than usual, we as members of the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild were conscious of our theme, "Reaching out to Others through Study," in 896 approved study classes—398 of them for Jurisdiction Recognition and 37 for Efficiency. We became concerned about our neighbors—the Middle East, the cultures of other people, and Isaiah's message for us today. This concern became action through money gifts, 141 Reading Circles, 520 books added to libraries, 6 new prayer groups, 5 Worship Setting libraries, many C A R E packages, more use of the Prayer Calendars, and many other excellent results. At Mt. Sequoyah 25 conference and district officers had training for better service. At our 1958 School of Missions, 322 enrolled in 8 approved study classes; 248 in clinics; 181 participated in "Group Experience" to learn the work of the Woman's Division. The total enrollment was 340. Very fine Seminars in the 8 Districts were attended by 1077 women, to form a basis for an increase of 35 J.R. studies. A chart of these will be on display at our School of Missions.

Reporting is improving. Mrs. Jack Toombs of Shreveport District had 100% for the second and third periods; Mrs. Leslie Morris of Lafayette District had 100% for the second period; and Mrs. R. E. Carter of Ruston District had 100% for the third period.

The use of missionary speakers, visual aids, and drama helped to stimulate interest in 340 of the approved study classes. The conference will have some filmstrips for use again this year.

I deeply appreciate the work of 920 dedicated teachers and leaders and the 11,422 women who were enrolled in our studies this year. My prayer is that you may continue to advance in study to "Open Windows Of Light" as we learn better how to serve in this great area of Education and Service.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That there be a Secretary of Missionary Education and Service in every local Society to report regularly and on time.
2. That Secretaries (Conference, District, and Local) realize the importance of attending Schools of Missions, Educational Seminars, and any opportunities for further training.
3. That efforts be intensified to encourage regular use of PROGRAM BOOK, WORSHIP BOOKLET, METHODIST WOMAN, WORLD OUTLOOK, FIELD LEAFLETS, ANNUAL REPORT OF WOMAN'S DIVISION, and other available material providing missionary information.
4. That THE CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES be followed in planning approved studies.
5. That the goal of every Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild be four approved studies.
6. That full cooperation be given the Pastor and Commission on Missions in the promotion of the current church-wide study.
7. That there be continued emphasis on:
   (1) Duties of Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service.
   (2) Formation and proper functioning of Reading Circles. (See page 24 of HANDBOOK.)
   (3) Placing of books in Church and Woman's Society and Guild Libraries.
   (4) Use of missionary speakers.

1959 SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND CHRISTIAN SERVICE
CENTENARY COLLEGE, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
August 17-21, 1959

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Africa:
Miss Louise Robinson, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Mrs. Frank G. Bell, Birmingham, Ala.

The Church's Mission in Town and Country
Mrs. B. B. Wedmeyer, Waco, Texas
Mrs. G. W. Charlton, Shreveport, La.

The Role of the United Nations in World Affairs:
Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Monroe, La.
Dr. Alfred W. Wasson, Dallas, Texas

The Gospel of Luke:
Miss Elizabeth Stinson, Woman's Division, New York
Miss Mildred Osment, Jonesboro, Ark.
Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Lake Charles, La.

Resource Persons:
Miss Frances Hackler
Miss Mary Chaffin
Miss Beulah Reitz
Miss Shiela Nuttall

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BIBLE HOUR

Dr. J. T. Carlyon, Dallas, Texas

MISSIONARY SERVICE

Mrs. Robley W. Davis, Secretary

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace, that publisheth salvation."

The feet of our Missionaries, Deaconesses, Short-term Missionaries, and Contract Workers are treading the mountains of fear, superstition, ignorance, disease, hate and greed, shedding the light of peace with the good news of salvation proclaimed by word and deed.

It is the purpose of Missionary Service to brighten their paths. Letters were written them on their birthdays, Christmas, and other special occasions, assuring them of the love and prayers of the Methodist woman of Louisiana.

Another purpose of Missionary Service is to relay news from the Missionaries to the local women. An attempt at accomplishing this was through two issues of "The Missionary Minute"—the first being distributed through School of Missions and District Missionary Education Seminars; and the second in the packets for Annual Meeting and District Meetings that followed.

In the immediate future each local Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, local President, Guild Chairman, and each district and conference officer will receive the June 1 issue of the "Louisiana Conference News". In this will be listed the birthdays and addresses of the Missionaries, Deaconesses, Short-term Workers, and Contract Workers from Louisiana, or who serve within the borders of our conference. This is for your use with the "Prayer Calendar". The next "Missionary Minute" is to be mailed directly to the local Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, with an extra sheet of news pertaining to Africa.

RECOMMENDATIONS

For the Year 1959-60 we recommend that the Secretary of Missionary Education and Service:

S how herself an "approved workman" through the study of:
1. Prepared Materials such as:
   Approved Studies
   "Do You Know" booklets
   Nineteenth Annual Report of the Woman's Division
   The Methodist Woman
   The World Outlook
   Field Leaflets
2. World and National movements as they affect the entire missionary enterprise.

E ncourage the use of the Prayer Calendar to undergird the work of missionaries and mission stations—and use it daily herself.

R elay information regarding missionary support to local societies and Wesleyan Service Guilds.

V ary the use of missionary information at **each meeting** with:
The Missionary Minute
Missionary Letters
Skits
Visual Aids (Slides, Scrapbooks, Maps, Posters, Etc.)

I nvite missionaries to participate in Conference, District, and Local Society Meetings, as well as School of Missions and Christian Service.

C ontact missionaries through News Letters, Greetings and Personal Notes—with no thought of a reply.

E ndeavor to share Recruitment responsibilities with:
Secretary of Missionary Personnel of the District
Wesleyan Service Guild
Prayer Groups
Retired Workers in your communities through the "Fellowship of Intercession"

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Mrs. M. R. Tatum, Secretary

During the past year the activities in the area of Christian Social Relations have been a part of the continuing program projected for the quadrennium under the general emphasis "Understanding Our World in the Spirit of Christ." The following stories from district reports and other group activities may illustrate our witness as Methdist women at work in a troubled world.

The efforts to undercut the growing alcohol culture pattern in the United States has been an area of concern to Methodist women across Louisiana. Some specific illustrations receiving widespread attention are:

1) Writing our Senators and Representatives to control interstate advertising of beverage alcohol and to prohibit the serving of beverage alcohol on planes.
2) Working for state and local controls.
3) Studying the alcohol problem by using the pamphlet published by the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.
4) Placing in the local budget a sum equivalent to 25 cents per member to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

The study "Understanding Other Cultures" has done much to "broaden the horizons of our local church and community" by getting to know people in our community from other lands and cultures, thereby gaining a new experience of fellowship.

The United Nations has assumed new importance during this year as it has been confronted with even greater problems. Women throughout the conference have cooperated to promote "trick and treat" programs through UNICEF. United Nations day was observed, and Christian Social Relations Secretaries cooperated in promoting the November program, "A Decade of Human Rights."

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was ten years old December 10, 1958. Many societies celebrated this tenth anniversary by having special observances.

An increased interest was shown in the number of "Citizenship Brunches" that were held. Women are realizing the importance of being informed, and then the responsibility "To Register Christian Opinion."

The material on "World Trade Workshop" has been successfully used at local, zone, and dstrict meetings.

There has also been cooperation by Methodist women with the Boards and agencies of the church in the field of social action.

As we report these wonderful activities of Christian women throughout Louisiana it reminds us anew, as we seek a new world of peace with justice, that "All Action Is Local."

RECOMMENDATIONS

As we seek to "Understand Our World In The Spirit of Christ," we fully recognize that 'all action is local.'
IT IS, THEREFORE RECOMMENDED, THAT:

1. United Nations: Every local society study the "Role of the United Nations in World Affairs." Local, District and Conference Societies promote atendance at the UN by groups and by individuals; Every local society plan UNICEF "Trick or Treat", and/or an observance of UN Day and Week in the church or community.

2. Civil Rights: Every local society be encouraged to study the new Commission on Civil Rights in the Executive Branch of the United States Government and its function; cooperate with the Advisory Commission in the State; Atendance be promoted, at the National Conference on Human Relations to be held at SMU in September, 1959.

3. All societies cooperate with the follow-up of the Methodist National Family Life Conference; Conference Societies understand and support the National Seminar to be held at Bennett College July 21-31, 1959, with the theme "The Family in a World of Rapid Social Change"; make appropriate plans for the information to be channeled to women in District and local societies; Methodist women work with state and community groups in planning for the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth.

4. Education: Since there is a great need for increased training for living in the nuclear and space age, there is an intensive campaign on the part of Methodist women for free, compulsory educational systems, for a stepped-up program for adequate teachers' salaries and for school construction to meet the needs of an expanding school population; Local women survey schools in their communities for health, fire and safety hazards.

5. Citizenship brunches, coffees, workshops and seminars to be continued to give information on:
Alcohol: National Medical Advisory Committee; banning sale and service on commercial airlines; interstate advertising.
Labor-Management; Control of corrupt practices; migrant labor. World Trade and Technical Assistance; Housing; Peacetime Conscription, etc.

6. Inter-Board Cooperation be contnued. Strenghten ties with Boards of World Peace, Temperance, Social and Economic Relations. Local societies work with Commission on Christian Social relations; Conference Societies work for adequate representation from Conferences and Districts at Workshop on Christian Social Relations to be held at Mt. Sequoyah in July, 1959.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

BALANCE:	
June 1, 1958	$ 20.45
RECEIVED:	
July 12, 1958	100.00
March 24, 1959	100.00
	$220.45
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Postage	$ 12.72
Printing	7.00
Telephone and Telegraph	14.53
Membership:	
Louisiana Organization for State Legislation 1958-1959	25.00
	$ 59.25
BALANCE:	
June 1, 1959	$161.20

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Miss Sue Batton, Secretary

The Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild has just closed a very successful year. We have 99 units, with a membership of 2,039.

Paid on Pledge to Missions	$13,517.63	
Jurisdiction	384.47	
In Remembrance	104.69	
My World Bank	302.19	
Special Membership	2,380.00	
Total on Appropriations	$16,688.98	
Week of Prayer Offering		$1,178.82
Undesignated Supply		45.00
Cash for Supply Work:		
Home and Foreign		1,704.49
Magazine and Picture Fund		129.00
Alcohol (La. Moral and Civic Fdn.)		275.00
Cultivation		1,175.00

We had an increase in our per capita giving over 1957-1958.

Our Louisiana Conference Guild Week-end at Camp Brewer, July 18, 19 and 20 was well attended with 157 members and guests. The Reverend Lea Joyner, Pastor of Southside Methodist Church, Monroe, in her gracious manner, administered the communion and brought the 11 o'clock message.

The 1958-1959 Spring Meeting at Baton Rouge, with over 300 attending, was a challenge and inspiration to all who attended. Eighteen Guild members attended the South Central Jurisdiction Guild Week-end at Mt. Sequoyah, with three Chairmen of lines of work and your Conference Secretary attending the Jurisdiction School of Missions.

The Executive Committee and Coaching Conference convened in Alexandria, September 13-14, with all members present except one.

Your Conference Secretary conducted a Guild Clinic at School of Missions at Centenary College in August. She attended the Mid-Year Executive meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Opelousas, in October.

Guild Month was observed in most all Guilds.

Our conference women are hard at work in every phase of the Guild work. The District Secretaries and their District Officers have done a splendid job in promoting the work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we continue our efforts to interest employed women in the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild.
2. That more use of the "purpose" of the Wesleyan Service Guild be made in Conference, District, and local programs.
3. **Spiritual Life:** Believing that deepening and strengthening of our Spiritual Life will be our greatest help in facing the tensions and problems of today, we recommend:
   (a) That each Wesleyan Service Guild exercise the greatest care in selecting the Chairman of Spiritual Life.
   (b) That an interesting and inspiring worship service be planned for each meeting.
   (c) That there be continued emphasis on formation of Prayer Groups; Prayer partners; and increased use of Prayer Calendar.

(d) That the Calendar of Activities include: A Retreat, A Day Apart; observance of Week of Prayer, World Day of Prayer, and the Spiritual Life Study.

4. **Supply Work:** That Chairmen of Supply Work be secured on all levels, and that they be used as resource persons, to channel information.

   That Guild units be encouraged to meet their Supply Work askings in **full** before giving to undesignated Supply Work, **and other project moneys.**

   However, when there is a surplus financially, that it be channeled to undesignated appropriations.

5. **Status of Women:** That the study of Womanpower and the utilization of time and talent in the Church be continued.

6. **Missionary Education and Service:** That the Chairman of Missionary Education and Service continue to encourage and promote Mission Study classes, getting as many women as possible in these studies; also encourage study for Jurisdiction credit.
   (a) That prayerful consideration be given to an increase in our Pledge to Missions.

7. **Christian Social Relations:** That we make a study of, and incorporate into the program of the Wesleyan Service Guild the recommendations adopted by the Christian Social Relations Standing Committee at Buck Hills Falls, **January 1959** (See **Methodist Woman,** March issue).

STUDENT WORK

Mrs. Chas. H. Giessen, Secretary

Reports from the 266 local secretaries of Student Work, and the eight district secretaries draw a picture of progress. Over half of them reported having mailed a total of nearly 1,500 "blue cards" to college campuses.

Many churches reported serving students and other college age youth by giving financial assistance, serving food, sending literature, cards, and letters and by opening their homes to them. The Youth in turn sang in church choirs, helped with recreation, took part on programs, and went out as deputation teams.

Five Wesley Foundations reported participating in the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund and in Fellow College and Fellow American projects. Religious Emphasis Week inspired many college youth during the year.

Eleven college and University campuses in Louisiana with a full-time or part-time director of Wesley Foundation or Director of Religious Life serve our Methodist College youth. We shall be ever grateful for the consecrated leadership which they gave this past yar. Especially do we express our appreciation for Mrs. Lillian Hay Atchley, who served so capably as the Louisiana Student Movement Director. We regret our loss but welcome as her successor, Reverend Allen Jernigan.

Some of us have been able to do a better piece of work this year because of training opportunities. It was my privilege to attend our Jurisdiction School of Missons where I received invaluable instruction and caught a vision of Student Work and an enthusiasm which I have endeavored to share wherever I have gone. District and local Student Secretaries had an opportunity to attend Student Work Clinics at the Conference School of Missions and at the Annual Meeting of the Wo-

man's Society. These included a tour of a Wesley Foundation, an interview with a director and with students who had attended the Quadrennial National M.S.M. Conference.

I have tried to be a faithful student of Student Work this year as I have studied the objectives of the Methodist Student Movement, as they are found on page 15 of the Handbook for Secretaries of Student Work. What a challenge this presents to each of us.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Every society elect a Secretary of Student Work who will keep in contact with all college students, service personnel, and employed youth of college age.
2. Each society show an interest in Methodist High School Seniors and provide an adequate means of informing them of Centenary College and of the Methodist Student Movement. Higher education in the Church is one of the major emphases this quadrennium.
3. All college students be encouraged to take advantage of the great opportunities offered by Wesley Foundations.
4. Those students needing financial help be informed of Methodist Student Loan and Scholarship Fund of the Church.
5. Student information cards be sent to the College campuses before August 1, 1959.
6. Each society actively support the local Church in the observance of Methodist Student Day and Student Recognition Day.
7. Societies help finance students who wish to attend Leadership Training Conferences, Caravans, Work Camps, or Summer Service Projects. (See **Methodist Story** Feb. '59, page 5.)
8. Societies offer Christian hospitality to students from other countries by inviting them into their churches and homes.
9. The Secretary of Student Work in cooperation with other workers with youth in local churches and on college campuses provide vocational guidance looking to a life of Christian service. Within this framework the church provides many avenues of service.
10. Student Work Secretaries refer names and addresses of students interested in Church-Related vocations to District or Conference Secretary of Missionary Personnel, and to the Conference Secretary of Christian Vocations, Rev. Don Wineinger, 2901 N. 12th, West Monroe, Louisiana.
11. The District Secretary of Student Work call together the local Secretaries of Student Work from those churches near a college campus to elect one of their number as Campus Secretary of Student Work. She will serve as a connecting link between the local churches and the Methodist activities on the campus.

REPORT OF YOUTH WORK

Mrs. C. R. McCammon, Secretary

Reports from the Secretaries of Youth Work of the Louisiana Conference indicate an active, faithful year with such words as "study, share, promote, serve, secure, advise, teach, tour, stimulate etc." The results of such efforts can be seen in "a growing sense of responsibility, improved programs, increasing interest in missions, decisions

for church-related vocations, sacrificial giving, greater tolerance, and an awareness of world needs."

More secretaries of Youth Work are assuming their responsibility as Program Area Advisor for Christian Outreach on the local MYF Council. This presents the finest opportunity for planning and executing the mission studies for youth which have been presented in many local churches this year. The conference-wide Youth Assembly, Conference Workshop, and Bi-District Workshops have given special emphasis to the mission study program in addition to that which has been given in the local MYF groups.

The MYFund has been increased through pledges and the personalizing of MYFund projects. One-half of all MYFund money goes to the support of projects of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Outstanding contributions have been made by many groups to overseas relief and reconstruction.

Each district had a most successful Career Clinic, and one district conducted a tour of Louisiana mission projects. The opportunity of church-related vocations has been stressed in many and varied ways, including the Youth Banquet at the Annual Meeting. This banquet honored a group of young people interested in church-related vocations. All local secretaries of youth work are urged to channel names of those interested in church-related vocations to District Secretaries of Missionary Personnel.

There is a growing realization that, with our youth, we have only today—for yesterday they were children; tomorrow they will be adults. Now is the time for our most devoted efforts.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That every Woman's Society of Christian Service elect a Secretary of Youth Work, giving careful consideration to instructions for election on page 15 of **A Guide** and on page 243 of **Handbook of the MYF.**

2. That every Secretary of Youth Work, working through the Youth Council of which she is a member, promote the missionary units in the Methodist literature for youth and the missionary materials for youth of the Commission on Missionary Education.

3. That the Woman's Society of Christian Service provide leadership and materials for the youth mission studies in the local church.

4. That in every local church the Secretary of Youth Work help in every way possible to establish and maintain an **active** Committee on Christian Vocations.

5. That the Secretary of Youth Work and the Secretary of Missionary Personnel work together in acquainting young people with the needs and opportunities in missionary and deaconess service and in reporting the names of potential recruits.

6. That on every level Secretaries of Youth Work seek to personalize the **projects** for which the MYFund is used, and that they urge effective pledge services, personal pledging, and systematic giving to the MYFund.

7. That the Secretary of Youth Work on all levels work cooperatively with the total church program for youth.

8. That every local Secretary of Youth Work endeavor to stimulate interest in a World Friendship Group of Girls **within the senior and older MYF,** this being a study or interest group for the pur-

pose of becoming familiar with the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Programs should be centered on the materials prepared for this group. (For information concerning procedures, consult the foreword to the 1958-59 programs for World Friendship Groups, "Concerns Unlimited".)

9. That Secretaries of Youth Work on all levels be encouraged to participate in training opportunities for adult workers with youth; that they, in turn, encourage youth to participate in all training opportunities available to them.

10. That Secretaries of Youth Work on all levels promote the International Christian Youth Exchange by helping to secure homes for exchange students from other countries and in searching out eligible, consecrated youth who might be recommended for the exchange.

CHILDREN'S WORK

Mrs. R. R. Cahal, Secretary

A regional meeting was held in Kansas City on March 6 and 7 of this year for Conference Secretaries and Conference Directors of Children's Work. It was my privilege to attend this meeting and to receive much valuable information about promoting Missionary Education for Children in additional sessions. Upon receiving a copy of the minutes of this meeting, sufficient additional copies were reproduced to supply each district secretary with an adequate number to enable her to send one to each local secretary. With this help and information, we hope to inspire each local secretary to have additional sessions this year.

Many societies in the conference do not yet have a Secretary of Children's Work. This is a condition that needs to be corrected, and it should be our goal to seek to improve. When we do not provide an adequate program of Missionary Education for Children in the Church, we are failing in one of our most important responsibilities to these children.

The district secretaries have been very active this year. They have assisted in promoting Vacation Church Schools, held workshops for Missionary Education for Children, helped in promoting UNICEF, served on the staffs of Junior Camps, attended Laboratory and Leadership Training Schools, and presented Children's Work at district meeting.

Missionary education constitutes an integral part of the unified Church School Program. It is therefore one of our goals this year for District Directors of Children's Work to join with District Secretaries in planning additional sessions with children. We are striving to guide boys and girls to a better understanding of the peoples of the world and their needs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Secretaries of Children's Work should continue to promote the Fellowship of Prayer for children, inviting other children's leaders to participate.

2. A qualified secretary of Children's Work should be elected in each Woman's Society of Christian Service, and she should be provided with the HANDBOOK FOR SECRETARIES OF CHILDREN'S WORK.

3. Secretaries of Children's Work are urged to take advantage of all training opportunities so that they may grow in ability to lead children.

4. Fall workshops on Missionary Education of Children should be provided, with at least one in each district.

5. Greater emphasis should be given to Children's Mission Study materials at District Missionary Seminars.

6. The secretary of Children's Work should have a clear understanding of the Children's Service Fund and should promote it by explaining fully how it functions.

7. Secretaries of Children's Work, working through their Councils of Children's Work, should promote the "Children's TV Series" that is planned by the Methodist Church, and offerings for the purpose of financing this series should be encouraged in Vacation Church Schools during the summer of 1959.

8. The secretary of Children's Work should promote an interest in her Church in providing Additional Sessions for the study of the two approved mission study units for children.

9. The secretary of Children's Work should feel an urgent need to strengthen the program of missionary education in every way possible.

10. The secretary of Children's Work should work not only in the community in which she lives but wherever possible in wider areas to bring about goodwill and better understanding among all people.

LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Mrs. Wideman Watson, Secretary

The Literature and Publications of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions of the Methodist church are prepared and published for only one purpose—to inform and inspire Methodist Women to have a Christian world outlook. The field of Literature and Publications undergirds every department of our work. We serve as an advance spearhead to stimulate desire for information and to prompt action which is necessary if God's work goes forward. May we continue the use of the fine organization materials for each officer and secretary, the program material, approved studies and field literature found at our Literature Headquarters.

We show progress in many phases of our work. We must keep trying until we secure every office a subscriber to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.

When each new secretary takes office she should immediately send her Church Account Number, her name, address and the name and address of the former secretary to Circulation Department of The Methodist Woman and to the District Secretary of Literature and Publications.

We have sincerely appreciated your support through the year and feel grateful for your loyalty.

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND THAT:

1. Every society elect a secretary who will carry out the duties of her office in such a way that every area of the work will be strengthened and helped.

2. Each local secretary:
   a. Make herself an invaluable asset to the program committee of which she is a member.
   b. Use the Subscription Record Book and keep it as an accurate record for guidance and efficiency.

3. Local, district, and conference secretaries:
   a. Study and re-study the HANDBOOK on LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS and the report blanks.
   b. Consult the back of THE METHODIST WOMAN each month and pass on information about new materials to each officer.
   c. Constantly work for subscription to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK with special emphasis during stated campaigns.
   d. Report fully on time.

4. District and conference secretaries:
   a. Assume full responsibility for ordering, displaying, and selling literature at schools and seminars. (This service can be enhanced by contacting teachers and leaders for their suggestions before ordering.)
   b. Study and analyze each report and send suggestions for improvement.

SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION

Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Secretary

The privilege and challenge of helping "to quicken the spiritual life of our Methodist Women" is one which Secretaries of Spiritual Life on the local, district and conference level have accepted with joy and interest during this past year. The following will give some of the activities of these past months.

Many societies have had the Study of "ISAIAH Speaks." A great many had it during Lent. Secretaries have reported that the study has brought a real spiritual awakening to the group and the individual.

There has been a slight decrease in the number of Quiet Days, Days Aparts and Retreats. It is hoped that during our new year we might plan these very valuable experiences for our groups.

Most societies reported the observance of the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial and participated in the Observance of the World Day of Prayer.

We are happy to note an increase in the use of the PRAYER CALENDAR, and we feel that even more will use it as they learn more of its use.

There has been some increase in the number enrolled in the Fellowship of Intercession. Reports show that enrolled persons consider it such a privilege to belong to this Fellowship.

All secretaries have reported concerning prayer groups. Some of them had increased numbers of prayer groups while some have had a slight decrease. Each has expressed the need of more and has stated that there was a real hunger for a deepening of the spiritual life.

There has been an increase in the interest of the "Spiritual Life Book-Shelf" in the church and more societies of our conference are giving "memorials of Religious Books" to the church library.

There has been a concerted effort to include our shut-ins in our program, particularly in the Fellowship of Intercession. They have much to offer to our Spiritual Life program as well as it meaning much to them.

May each of us determine that, in the days ahead, we shall go forward in His Strength in the area of Spiritual Life Cultivation!

RECOMMENDATIONS

Because we believe that Christlikeness of spirit grows by Cultivation,

WE RECOMMEND THAT:

1. EVERY WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD elect the best qualified person as Secretary of Spiritual Life and as Chairman of Spiritual Life, respectively.

2. In order to become increasingly well qualified to lead others in an active cultivation of the spiritual life, each secretary, immediately upon election, consider carefully and prayerfully, not only her own needs and resources, but the basic demands of her office, seeking to:
   (a) be increasingly Christlike in spirit, cooperative and self-forgetting.
   (b) know all Spiritual Life Materials of the Woman's Society of Christian Service before turning to other materials. This includes knowing the Hand-book, 1956-1960, The Spiritual Life Packet, 1959-1960, the Prayer Calendar, 1960, and the Fellowship of Intercession Card.
   (c) have a working Committee with which she herself works. (Handbook,page 20)

3. The Secretary and her committee seek constantly to make real the connectional nature of the Methodist Church, enlarging the spiritual vision of the Society and Guild beyond the local interests, by:
   (a) cooperating with Boards, committees, or commissions of the Church.
   (b) encouraging the reading of Methodist periodicals, noting evidences of Methodism's awareness of world needs, and of her activities in Ecumenical movements.

4. Promote the use of the Prayer Calendar by individuals and church families.

5. The Secretary and her Committee set up a Calendar of Activities to meet the needs of their own society, but guided in general by suggestions on the Spiritual Life page in THE METHODIST WOMAN.

6. Give careful study of the Week of Prayer and Self Denial materials, with their increased emphasis on having BOTH a program meeting and a quiet day instead of a combined meeting.

7. The Secretary and her Committee continually seek for themselves and the entire local church vital experiences in Christian growth through prayer groups and through study such as in Spiritual Life Studies, Church-Wide Studies, etc.

8. Plan now to encourage our women to be able to report "Summer was a time of real cultivation of the life of the Spirit" rather than reporting "The Usual Summer Slump."

9. That EACH SECRETARY of Spiritual Life report on time each period to her District Secretary of Spiritual Life.

SUPPLY WORK

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, Secretary

Supply Work is of vital help in carrying on the work of the Missionary at home and abroad as it supplies materials that are greatly needed.

Our **Askings** for 1958-1959 were:

Home—$5956.45 Foreign—$4673.00 Total $10,629.45

The Askings, material and cash, assigned to Louisiana were:

Home—Dulac Indian Center; Wesley Foundation L. P. I.; National College; MacDonell Methodist Center; Louisiana Rural Work, St. Tammany Parish; Sager-Brown; People's Community Center; St. Mark's Community Center.

Foreign—Ewha High School, Korea; Africa Undesignated; Japan Undesignated; Centro MacDonell, Mexico.

In addition to these fields, Supply Work was sent to fifteen other institutions and fields of work.

The Louisiana women have been generous in their giving. All of our Askings have been overpaid. However, there has been a decided decrease in the overall Supply Work giving. This year, we gave $1522.10 less in Cash Value of materials. We increased $819.94 in cash giving on the Home Field. This was a total of $702.16 less given on the Home Field. We gave $1240.88 less for foreign work this year as compared with last year. There was a total of $1943.04 less given to Supply Work this year, than was given last year.

If this loss is indicative of an increased giving to the Pledge to Missions, we are glad but if not, it indicates a decided loss in the amount provided for the use of our Workers at home and on the foreign field.

The "Christmas in August" giving exceeded our hopes and the spirit of love and sharing was evident.

St. Mark's Camp is gradually assuming a partially furnished appearance but there is still a great need for more furnishings which we can help to secure by sending our Red Scissors coupons to St. Mark's Community Center.

Dulac Indian Mission, Sager-Brown Home and MacDonell Methodist Center continue to need good clean used clothing of all sizes. We have been requested to send no dark clothing to Dulac.

New Orleans District was the only District having 100% reporting.

May we continue to share our rich blessings and abundance with those who have not yet heard His word and with those striving to follow The Way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND:

"That the approved plan of dividing Supply Work Askings of both Foreign and Home projects be followed carefully;

"That Conference Secretaries of Supply Work give thoughtful consideration to the distribution of the Askings among the districts and that District Secretaries divide the District Askings among local societies in an equitable way, so that each local society will have its specified Supply Work opportunities."—quoted from the Recommendations approved by the Woman's Division, (April, 1957)

That, until our pledge to missions is equal to do the complete task, we must ask our women to "go the second mile" and supply the needs by **meeting the Askings** furnished to us by the institutions or workers.

That, if institutions have additional Askings, they be reminded that they must request them through the proper channels, **for all Supply Work must be approved by the Executive Secretaries.**

That Askings be divided down too the local level with **materials and cash** listed, whether materials **or** cash is needed, thus giving the local Society or Guild all the information it should have.

That **each** local Secretary make a study of the institutions on her Askings list, bringing some item of interest to the Society or Guild when she makes her report concerning these institutions.

That **all** cash for Supply Work be sent through the treasurers with the necessary information for directing the money to the proper Asking.

The secretaries on all levels work diligently to improve reporting.

That secretaries on all levels be alert and conscientious, participating in all training opportunities:

a. District and Local Secretaries attending the Clinic at their Conference Schools of Missions.

STATUS OF WOMEN

Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Secretary

Despite the fact that there will probably be a Secretary of Status of Women for only one more year (1959-60), there is a great deal of enthusiasm for the work among the District and Local Secretaries, as evidenced by the reports for the year. The number of Secretaries remains about the same, but more activities are reported. Women are more active in all phases of church and community work, and interested Secretaries of Status of Women are probably responsible for increased interest in legislation relating to women and children, political action, United Nations, and related subjects, by the local societies.

The NEW Service Activity Cards are much more adequate than the old ones, and a complete file of women in the church should prove invaluable to your Pastor, Church School Superintendent, and various nominating committees. This file should be a continuing thing, and a card should be filled out as soon as a new woman comes into your Church. Don't wait until she becomes a member of the Woman's Society to find out her abilities and interests.

We have a particular responsibility to assist in adapting the program of the local church and Woman's Society to women who work. If your Society or Wesleyan Service Guild has done anything to adapt your program to the growing number of women who work, either whole or part time, please report it on your next report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In order to enlist ALL women of the church in the many activities that are available to them, and to assist them in finding a place of service in the church and community, the following recommendations are made:

1. Keep Service Activity Card File current (The NEW Service Activity Card is very complete. Be sure to order from Literature Headquarters.)

2. Know the Discipline as it relates to places where women may serve on church boards and committees, and suggest that they be given the opportunity to serve.

3. Cooperate with the Wesleyan Service Guild to help employed women find a place to work in the church and community.

4. ACTIVELY serve on the Program Committee.

5. Give recognition to women who are doing or have done outstanding work in the church and community.

Information regarding Question No. 8 on our report blanks under Presentation of "Commission on the Status of Women in the United Nations" is in the January, 1959, issue of **The Methodist Woman**, page 25. This material can be used very effectively, and if additional copies are needed, Mrs. Clifford A. Bender, the official observer to the United Nations from The Woman's Division, 150 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y., will send them to you.

Another piece of material in preparation is a study on womanpower in the nation's labor force which has been made by the National Manpower Council. **The Methodist Woman** will carry this information, so be on the watch for it.

Opportunities for service both in the church and community, are unlimited, and it is up to us as Secretaries of Status of Women, to help channel our women into a place of service.

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Secretary

A year's work in the area of Missionary Personnel brings the conviction that there are several challenging needs in our recruitment program, and that these needs, if met, would bring rich rewards to the Church in dedicated lives. Because they are needs about which something can be done, I list them below:

1. An awareness of, and a **sense of urgency** about the personnel needs in every Church-related vocation. In the Woman's Division, particularly, the personnel situation is growing increasingly critical. The rate of retirement and withdrawal has for many years exceeded the rate at which new missionaries have entered the work.

2. An understanding of the philosophy of Christian vocation, which briefly stated, asserts that all useful work is potentially sacred, and that no dedication is complete without the dedication of the day's work. However, the Church recognizes that there are those who are called to serve "full time" under the Church, in places of special need. These persons are our special concern.

3. A functioning Committee on Christian Vocations in **every** local Church. This is the only authorized agency in the local Church for interpreting and presenting the personnel needs of the Church.

4. The recognition that all recruitment springs, basically, from within the local Church. Thus, the encouragement and strengthening of youth who have expressed an interest in a Church-related vocation are essentially the responsibility of the local Church.

5. Cooperative effort, especially on the part of workers with youth and secretaries of missionary personnel.

The year past has been one of exploration and study in which the above needs were faced and possible action in relation to these needs was planned.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **RECRUITMENT:**

A. That local secretaries of Youth and Student Work see that the philosophy and challenge of Christian Vocations are presented at regular intervals to the youth of the Church, and that the

Secretary of Youth Work send the names of young people interested in Church-related vocations to the Secretary of Missionary Personnel, giving addresses and other helpful information.

B. That Services of Recognition be held at appropriate times by local and/or district societies to honor those persons who have entered Church-related vocations.

C. That the Secretary of Missionary Personnel, as a member of the District Committee on Christian Career Clinics, use every opportunity provided in society, zone, and district meetings to interpret the purpose and value of these clinics.

D. That the Secretary of Missionary Personnel encourage Mission Tours on the district and/or local church level, calling attention to the directives prepared by the Conference Tour Committee.

E. That, whenever missionary speakers are available, opportunities be made to present them to youth and student groups as well as to adults.

2. **MATERIALS:**

A. That societies provide one or more copies of "Methodist Service Projects" and the Prayer Calendar (1959) for use in the Youth Division of the Church.

B. That Secretaries of Missionary Personnel, Youth, and Student Work keep materials, including information about Audio-Visual Aids, on file, to help interpret the need, opportunity, and requirements for Church-related vocations.

3. **COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS:**

A. That, either the Secretary of Youth or Student Work, as the recommended representative of the Woman's Society on the local Committee on Christian Vocations, be responsible for informing the society about the organization and function of this committee.

B. That the local society use every proper means to encourage the organization and effective functioning of this committee in the local church.

4. **PRAYER:**

A. That personnel needs of the Church be special objects of prayer in Societies and Guilds.

B. That students and youth be encouraged to use the Prayer Calendar in personal and group worship, both to share in the fellowship of prayer for our workers and projects, and to increase their awareness for personal needs in the Church and on the mission field.

BUSINESS GIRLS' INN

814 Cotton Street

Shreveport, Louisiana

Hazel F. Cooper, Director

Business Girls' Inn has been "home away from home" to eighty-eight girls during the year. Periods of residence ranged from a few months, in regard to a few, to the residence limit of three years.

Of the total number, forty girls were students at local business colleges some time during their stay.

Twelve took apartments, nine returned to their home towns to seek employment or for family reasons, one joyously departed for college with a scholarship, twenty-two married and established homes, and eight had lived the allowed three years. It is interesting to note that girls who have stayed the full three years are always reluctant to go.

Many of the young marrieds keep in touch with the Inn. A movement is under way, sponsored and suggested by former residents, to have a "home-coming" or similar get-together in the spring or summer.

People often ask how girls from other cities and towns learn about the Inn. Much of the publicity is done by girls who have lived here. During the past year we have had numerous applications from Magnolia, Arkansas. These have been the result of the promotion of four girls from Magnolia who lived with us. Local business colleges, employment agencies, and personnel managers of business firms also send girls.

Recently a committee of City Mission Board Members, (the governing board of Business Girls' Inn) all mothers of teen-age or college girls met with representatives of the girls. They discussed and evaluated some of the activities and practices of the Inn. We think this will be valuable as a means of promoting better service and understanding. It is hoped that a representative group will be chosen from residents, to meet with the Director or Board women from time to time.

We would like to see more information about the Inn in the hands of women of the Conference. Wednesday, May 5th is the day listed in your Prayer Calendar for Business Girls' Inn. Keep that date in mind and lift the Inn, its residents and Staff in your prayers.

The finest tribute that can be paid to the work you do, is to have a girl say of the Inn, on returning from home, "It is like having two homes.'

DULAC INDIAN CENTER

Dulac, Louisiana

Carl Brunson, Head Resident

Expanding populations, accompanied by problems of housing, health, and education, are not confined to urban areas. A survey of the Indian community at Dulac-Grand Caillou made by LSU at our request shows that there are 12,000 to 14,000 Indians on our Bayous and that 50% of these are under 11 years old. It is not easy to picture what this will mean to the community ten years from now; yet that is the challenge facing Dulac Indian Center right now.

As you know, Dulac Indian Center will be one of the recipients of Week of Prayer and Self-Denial funds this October. During this year we are trying to evaluate our program in view not only of the present needs but also of the needs of a young and rapidly expanding population so that we can plan our new facilities to more adequately meet these needs. We hope that we will be able to tell you at ths time next year that construction of these facilities has been begun.

This is not to say that things are now at a standstill. Attendance at planned group activities is up 40% during the last two years. We serve about one-half the Indians of the community. More than 60 children have been enrolled in kindergarten this year with an average daily attendance of 36. Several children have dropped out. Club and recreational activities are well attended. We need more such activities, but leadership and space are limited. There are 70 Protestant children enrolled in weekday religious education classes meeting twice weekly. Our Christmas pageant was well attended, and for the first time members of the cast had speaking parts.

The greatest asset in carrying out our program this year has been the addition of a staff member in November. Miss Joy Brand, a US-2 from West Virginia, transferred to Dulac from MacDonell Methodist

Center. She worked in the kindergarten and with clubs and recreation.

The National MYF Workcamp at Dulac last summer was a great success. Ten high school seniors and graduates from various parts of the country—Texas to New York—and two of our youth lived and worked together for four weeks. They made some major repairs and improvements on our physical plant and conducted a two-week day-camp for the children of the community. We are planning another similar program for this summer.

Our Vacation Church School each summer is a popular event, and enrollment grows each year. The comment, "Do you get so tired of us that you can't stand us after two weeks? We would love to come for a whole month," made by an intermediate girl on closing day, is a satisfying reward.

We have been receiving supply money for a bus from some districts in the Conference this year. Two-thirds of the money has come in, and we hope that we will be able to buy the bus before the end of the year. It will greatly facilitate transportation and allow some program expansion.

We feel that the success reported here is due in large part to the support, spiritual as well as financial, that we receive from you. Thank you.

LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Ruston, Louisiana

William M. Stokes, Jr., Student Counselor

"And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man." As students grow in knowledge they should also grow in their spiritual lives. Dr. R. L. Ropp, president of Louisiana Tech, said to the students here at Wesley Foundation, "do not leave Christianity out of your curriculum."

The objective of the Worship Committee is to enrich the spiritual lives of those in our Chrstian community by presenting to them a greater variety of worship experiences. This is developed through our Thursday and Sunday Vesper services and Prayer Time each morning, Monday through Saturday. These services, conducted by the students, are an inspiration as the students share their faith with others.

The objective of the Social Action Committee is Christian witness —witness in the community and on the campus. To bring a Christian witness on the campus is expressed through the lives of students devoted to Christ and his mission. Challenged to a conscious experience of stewardship, the students adopted Chung Chi College, Hong Kong, and the Alaska Methodist University as their mission projects for the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund. To live and share with others is a vital part in the life of a Christian college student.

The objectives of the Recreation Committee are to create a spirit of Christian fellowship; to provide a variety of recreation so that all interests will be met; and strive to bring each individual into the fellowship of the group. Various parties and social events are held throughout the year: freshman party at the beginning of the fall semester; wiener roast, Halloween party for a group of the boys and girls from the Methodist Children's Home; open house after the football games, reception for Mothers' Week End, etc.

Fourteen deputations, approximately 180 students participating, have been sent out this year. Five more deputations are scheduled. These students have gone to churches presenting worship services, speaking

to the circles of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guilds, Methodist Youth Fellowships, and church school classes.

In summer service projects last summer two boys served under the Woman's Division, one at the Indian Mission, Yuma, Arizona, and the other at the Muhlenberg Methodist Settlement, Powderly, Kentucky; one girl served on an ecumencial work camp in Hong Kong; another boy worked at Estes State Park, Colorado; and several students served in district camps and other service projects. Eleven of our students, along with the director, attended the Regional Leadership Conference last summer at Camp Egan, Oklahoma. Twenty students met at Caney Lake for Fall Planning Retreat last September and worked out the program for this year.

The married students meet once a month with different couples serving as hosts and hostesses. The single students furnish free baby sitting service, keeping the nursery at Grace Methodist Church.

Dr. Virgil Morris, pastor of Trinity, Reverend Henry Blount, pastor of Grace, and the members of their churches give a warm welcome to the students, with an opportunity for regular or affiliate membership. We are grateful to Reverend Luman Douglas, District Superintendent of the Ruston District, for the presentation of our program throughout the District.

As we look at what has been accomplished, we thank God for His guidance and for the support which you have given. But let us continue to work and pray that from our labors He will receive honor and glory to His name.

MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER

Houma, Louisiana

Harry E. Ezell, Director

In an effort to give a clear, concise report of the work which you are doing for the Lord through us, I shall break it into six sub-divisions.

Children: We have increased from twenty-one boys and girls in June, 1958, to thirty-two in February, 1959. Our licensed capacity with present buildings is thirty-eight. Most of our children come from broken homes. Some are abandoned. Some are court placements. Because of the turmoil and instability of their backgrounds, many are emotionally unsettled and educationally retarded.

Program: Our activity program for the children includes: full participation in church activities, weekly Vespers in our own chapel, Cub Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Girl Scouts, Shop and Homemaking under professionally qualified volunteer workers, professional direction of after school playground activities, and piano lessons. We are working on a remedial education program for this summer. This program is designed to provide outlets for stored up emotional tensions, develop some basic technical skills, provide religious foundations, and develop social ease,—all basic to effective Christian citizenship.

Staff: The Personnel Committee of our Advisory Board is engaged in a study of personnel policies. It is their plan to clarify the duties and responsibilities of each staff position and present this in written form to the Advisory Board for approval.

Buildings and Grounds: A major repair program was carried on in the last year. Wesley House was remodeled and painted, the old kitchen being made into an office. McCoy Building was reroofed, a new House Mother apartment constructed, and the downstairs interior redecorated. A downstairs bathroom was installed in Downs Hall and the exterior

painted. Several rooms were painted in the School Building. The J. C. Jaynes of Houma are doing a major renovation and furnishing job in the big basement room at the School, making it more useable as a Recreation Hall.

Publicity: We have begun re-issuance of the quarterly news letter, "Over The Coffee Cups," have had an article in **The Louisiana Methodist**, and are to have an article in the March issue of **the Methodist Woman. The Houma Courier** has carried a number of articles and items of interest about MacDonell.

Advisory Board: We are blessed with a most active, interested, and cooperative Advisory Board. The Director has called upon members and committees of the Board for much consultation and advice for many services.

NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE

Natchitoches, Louisiana

Robert Tatum, Student Counselor

In spite of the fact that the Wesley Foundation has had three directors in the past six months, the work has progressed well and in some cases advanced for our religious group. Ann Adams, the capable director of the past 8 years, resigned in September. This left the Foundation without a full time director. However, Mrs. Odell Simmons, the wife of the minister at the Faith Methodist Church in Natchitoches, took over and did a very fine work until such a time as the new director could assume the responsibilities. Rev. Robert Tatum was hired by the Board and he assumed duties in December.

One of the bright spots in the work has been the manner in which the Foundation has been supported during the months since June. The "$5.00 plan" support has surpassed expectations and district support is stable and on time. Outstanding in our work has been the way the various Woman's Society groups of the Alexandria District have offered help for the outreach of our Wesley program. They have furnished either the meal or the money for the meal for students attending the Wednesday evening study and fellowship groups. We are thankful for such interest and support.

The Student Council has recently voted to enter the intermural athletic program of the college. This will involve male students in the sports of football, basketball, tennis, track, volleyball, softball, ping-pong, box-hockey and swimming. We all expect this to be an attraction with the male students on the Northwestern campus.

On February 5, the Wesley Foundation started a unit of the Wesley College. This was the first time in the history of the Northwestern area that a college course in Bible was offered for credit. Twenty people are enrolled in course work to date. In the months to come, we hope that this program will become a vital part of our Wesley program.

Plans are now being made to organize and cultivate a chapter of Kappa Phi, which is a Junior Woman's Society. Its purpose is to better develop and create interest among college women in the work of the Church.

We have active in our group several persons who are interested in full-time Christian vocations—one boy as a missionary doctor, another as a nurse, and others in home mission work.

This has been a good year, but a hard year for the NSC Wesley Foundation. We seek your prayers and continued support and are very thankful for your help.

PEOPLE'S METHODIST COMMUNITY CENTER

2019 Simon Bolivar Avenue

New Orleans, Louisiana

Pearl C. Turnbull, Nursery Teacher

When the Brooks family consisting of mother, father and three young children moved to New Orleans from a small country settlement they rented a two room rear apartment which was all that they could find within their meager income. There was a saloon on the corner next door. Since there was no yard or playground nearby, the children were exposed to very unwholesome surroundings during their hours of play.

One day while conversing with a newly-found friend at the church which she had joined, Mrs. Brooks expressed her distress over the situation into which she had been forced by adverse circumstances. She also made known her desire to work to supplement the family income, if it were possible to find a desirable place to leave her children during her working hours.

Mrs. Brooks' friend then told her about People's Community Center where her children were enrolled in the Day Care section. Upon investigating, Mrs. Brooks was delighted to learn that she, too, could afford to send her children to the Center, because the fees were arranged to suit the needs and income of each individual case.

After Mrs. Brooks found employment she began looking around for more desirable living quarters for the family. Finally she was successful in finding a roomier apartment in a much more desirable location. Their joy was surpassed only by their gratitude for the helping hand which they had found outstretched to them at People's Center.

Many people have asked, "How can you afford to give so much for so little—comfortable, spacious surroundings, with adequate equipment, qualified teachers and other workers to supervise and train the children, plus wholesome meals? The answer is, "Because someone cares enough to make this institution possible; because the small fees charged are supplemented by the funds received from The United Fund, The Board of Missions, The Louisiana Conference of the Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, plus gifts from The Woman's Society of Christian Service.

There are at present ninety-two children enrolled in the Day Care section; one hundred two children in the kindergarten and primary grades; one hundred forty teen-agers in the Girl Scout Troop, basketball team and other afternoon activities.

SAGER-BROWN HOME AND GODMAN SCHOOL

Rosie Ann Cobb, Superintendent and Principal

Our mission at Sager-Brown Home and Godman School has centered around the underprivileged child. Approximately one hundred sixty-five children have been placed in the care of the Home and School this year. A permanent home has been provided for one-third the total enrollment. Conditions which cause the need of a home for the one-third mentioned above are: alcoholism, divorce, desertion, and death.

Students come from the community daily to attend Godman School, the nearby church-related elementary school serving the community. Witnessing through the care of these children has been thirteen consecrated workers. Six of these workers have taught in the school grades—Kindergarten through eighth grade. Courses of study taught are approved by the State of Louisiana.

A very fine fellowship has existed between the public schools of the Parish and Godman School. This fellowship was brought about through the Parish and State Teachers' Organizations, Parish Workshops, annual Achievement Day, and other activities. Godman School won the Trophy for the second place in the Parish on Achievement Day, 1957-58 term.

The school Choral group, M.Y.F. choir and children's choir each had an increase in their number of appearances. All programs for the year including Christmas, Easter, May programs, Bible School and Boy Scouts have been inspirational and largely attended.

During the year fifteen M.Y.F. groups, five Wesleyan Service Guilds, Woman's Society of Christian Service groups from various churches and conferences visited the Home and School. A large number of friends and former students were also among the visitors of the year.

Various groups have met at the Home, among those were: The Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service School of Missions, Franklin District annual Ministers' Wives Tea, annual meeting of St. Mary's Parish Teachers Association, Recognition Services for St. Mary's Parish retired teachers, The Franklin District M.Y.F. institute.

Christian women of all the conferences know the value of witnessing where children are the major concern. They have sent in supplies adequate for the needs of the institution. The year's operating revenue amounted to approximately forty thousand dollars.

Wesleyan Service Guilds, Woman's Societies of Christian Service and people interested in the work witnessed in a large way through their gifts, prayers and their presence. Our hearts are grateful to all who helped make the year's work at Sager-Brown Home and Godman School a success. May God bless you.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

1130 N. Rampart Street

New Orleans, Louisiana

Fae L. Daves, Director

It seems that St. Mark's Community Center should be celebrating a golden anniversary this year as the Center has served in this community now for 50 years, first as St. Mark's Hall on Esplanade and since 1924 as St. Mark's Community Center in our present location. It would be interesting but quite impossible to know the number of boys and girls and men and women who have benefited by the services offered at the Center. Voices from the past do keep popping up though. Frequently we meet people from practically every walk of life who say, "I used to swim, or play basketball, or I learned to sew or to do something else at St. Mark's." Always there is that warmth in the voice, that little glow that bespeaks memory of happy experiences. Parents bring their children back to St. Mark's that they too may participate in the clubs and other activities offered. Actually there is no other Center like St. Mark's in the whole downtown area of New Orleans.

Who can say at this time what another 50 years will bring? We live in a world of change and it has been accelerated during these past ten years. Our population is shifting and the whole Rampart Street area is becoming more commercial. In 1950 the population of this area was about evenly divided between white and non-white, but since that time many colored families have moved into the neighborhood and have taken over whole streets that used to be occupied by white residents. At this time no service is being provided for the colored children. We

do not know what this may mean for St. Mark's. There are several possibilities, but of course no changes will be made without thorough study.

Since, in this brief statement, it is impossible to adequately cover the work of the past year, we will mention just a few things. We have a good staff at St. Mark's this year and thus have been able to have a good program. We have served between 500 and 550 individuals in our varied activities for children six years of age up, including some adults. We have served 55 different children in our Day Care center for pre-school children whose mothers must work. This service is greatly appreciated. One of the big features of our summer program is Play Camp. This is a three week session set up for 100 boys and girls, 6 to 14 years of age. The program last summer was built around the theme, "Journey in a Ricksha." Learning about Japan and its people was an interesting and delightful experience for the children and leaders. We were fortunate in having a couple on our staff who had just returned from Japan the preceding January. One of the Junior boys whose father had suffered at the hands of the Japanese during the war was not quite sure he wanted to participate in this project. By the end of three weeks, however, he had lost much of this feeling and with the others was appreciating the country and its people for their industry, artistic ability, and other contributions to the world. It is simply amazing to see how in such a short time children can almost feel themselves into another culture. If we could all be like children, race relations would be no problem. The children asked that we do a similar project next year and suggested Mexico or Alaska. Alaska was chosen.

Six weeks of camping at Camp St. Mark's—6 days each for 80 campers—constituted high adventure, a chance to grow in many ways while living as a part of a small democratic community, and an opportunity to gain new appreciation for the out-of-doors. All of the staff feel that camping is one of the most important features of the whole program.

Outstanding this year has been our project in leadership training for teenage girls and boys. The girls, all members of the Silhouettes (Sr. Girl Scouts), are regularly helping with a number of groups; while the boys are helping in the athletic program. They have all grown through this experience and have made a real contribution as well. Our thanks go to all who have helped to make the program of St. Mark's possible.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH RURAL WORK

LaCombe, Louisiana

Shiela Nuttall, Deaconess

Since the rural worker has no program of her own, her job is to cooperate with the pastors and lay workers of the churches in her area. In St. Tammany Parish much of the work is related to the program of the Methodist Group Ministry Council composed of pastors, young people, and adults from each of the ten churches. Because "the job of the rural worker is to work herself out of a job as soon as possible," I am happy to report that many of the activities included here were carried through without her help, save as she served as counselor or through the use of resource materials from her library and audio-visuals and equipment from her "supply cabinet". These are provided by the cash gifts for supply work for which we are most grateful. These resources greatly enrich the program.

Continuing the emphasis of the preceding years, youth activities have been central. Representatives of some of the youth groups attended the Annual Conference MYF meeting at Centenary, district Intermediate Camp and Senior Workshop. One MYF had a Christian

Witness Mission. Through the cooperation of the Conference Board of Education and sponsored by the Group Ministry Council which paid the honorarium, the Youth Caravan was in the parish reaching all of our organized MYFs. As a result one Intermediate Fellowship was organized and leaders of others received training for their responsibilities. Presenting Christmas and Easter pageants and dramas, conducting a Sacrificial Supper during Holy Week, conducting Trick or Treat for UNICEF are some of the projects of the local MYFs. The Sub-District MYF meets every six weeks with program, business meeting, and recreation. Special programs included a Booth Festival and a Folk Festival.

Conference with workers with children, especially in preparation for Vacation Church Schools, constitutes a large part of the work for children. For these schools and additional sessions during mission studies the library and "supply cabinet" furnish enrichment materials.

In the Woman's Societies of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guilds the work takes the form of making talks and leading programs upon invitation, meeting with program executive committees, counseling with officers concerning their duties and responsibilities, and teaching Jurisdiction Recognition classes.

Work in the various local churches has included: assisting with the Every Member Canvass, working with the commissions as opportunity has been presented, meeting with Official Boards on occasion, and assisting in other ways as requested by the pastor or lay workers in relation to the total program of the church. I serve on the executive committee of the Group Ministry Council and try to interpret it as I go from place to place.

In the community in which I make my home, I belong to several community organizations, realizing that the influence of the Church must be carried into every phase of life if the teachings of Jesus are to become real and if His message is to transform life, which is the purpose of all rural work.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

Lafayette, Louisiana

Allen O. Jernigan, Student Counselor

Let us begin with a statement of our purpose formulated this year by our Board of Directors: "The Wesley Foundation exists for one ultimate and supreme purpose and one only. That is to exalt the Christ. The purpose of the Wesley Foundation on the Southwestern campus is to deepen, enrich and mature the Christian faith of college men and women, recognizing that special disciplines are required in the vocation of being a Christian student. There is the discipline of serving." How then have we deepened, enriched and matured in the Christian faith ths past year?

There is a renewal among our Methodist students of their understanding of the **life** and **mission** of the Church. We are joining with students around the world in a six-year observance spearheaded by the World Student Christian Federation. Our S.L.I. Wesley Foundation has chosen Trinity College, Singapore as our Fellow College. The students gave $175.00 to the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund. Speakers from the mission field have helped us to see our involvement in the life and mission of the Church. A joint study group is being held with the Presbyterian students on the specific Bible material outlined for "The Life and Mission of the Church" .Some of our students are becoming very concerned about the matter of Christian vocation.

There is a renewal among our students of their understanding of worship. In our "Fireside Hour" we have discussed the new liturgical emphasis (at regional and national conferences our students were

introduced to "The Wesley Orders of Common Prayer.") I feel our students have a deeper understanding of what worship is; various ways we can encounter God through group experiences; the meaning of different orders of worship; and, Christian community that is realized as we worship God as revealed in Christ. Worship services are held Tuesday mornings at 6:45 (Holy Communion every other week); Wednesday noon chapel services; and worship is a part of our Thursday evening meetings. We strongly encourage churchmanship and attendance in the local church's worship services on Sundays.

Christian fellowship is an important aspect of our Wesley Foundation. This year we organized a married student group that meets every Wednesday night for supper. Usually we have a speaker and discussion for our program. Parties and activities are regularly planned by the recreation committee. Many committees are at work in the Wesley Foundation—here is Christian fellowship.

Some have felt the need for more depth in "the discipline of study and thinking." A non-credit course in **Christian Ethics** was offered this year at our Wesley Foundation. The response was good. Also in this area we used tapes by seminary professors for discussion. Paul Tillich has written about the lost dimension in religion and some of us are acutely aware of our responsibility to seek to recover depth.

There is the discipline of serving and this should call for the total response of students in all their relationships. However, there are specific needs that our Methodist students have responded to, such as: sending the cost of an eye operation and helping support a child's education in India; sending a Christmas basket; giving toys to children in the Negro Methodist Church in town; sending deputaton teams to local churches; work day at Sager-Brown Home in Baldwin; cutting down three pine trees for a church member—to name only some of the service projects.

There are unlimited opportunities open to us as we seek to be open to "the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" on the state college campus. There are opportunities to witness, teach, train and serve in the name of Christ.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

BY-LAWS OF LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in **A Guide** and the Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

ARTICLE I.—Elections

Section 1. Only women residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be elected as Conference officers.

Section 2. Officers shall be elected biennially for a term of four years. No officer may immediately succeed herself in the same office, with the exception of the treasurer, who may be elected for one additional term. The term of office for all officers shall begin June 1. The outgoing officer shall make the annual report.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the following shall be elected at the annual meeting the second year of the quadrennium: a president, a treasurer, a secretary of Student Work, a secretary of Youth Work, a secretary of Children's Work, a secretary

of Status of Women, a secretary of Missionary Personnel, and a secretary of Missionary Service.

At the annual meeting of the fourth year of the quadrennium the following officers shall be lected: a vice-president, a recording secretary, a secretary of Promotion, a secretary of Missionary Education, a secretary of Christian Social Relations, a secretary of Literature and Publications, a secretary of Supply Work, a secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation. Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 3. (a) At the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society preceding the last Annual Meeting of the Jurisdiction Woman's Society of the quadrennium, the Conference Society shall elect six delegates to the Jurisdiction Society to serve for four years, all of whom shall be conference officers. Three of these shall be elected by office; namely, the president, the treasurer, and the secretary of Promotion. The other three shall be elected by name.

(b) If and when vacancies occur during the quadrennium among the designated offices, the successor in the office shall be the conference representative.

(c) Four reserve delegates from the conference officers shall be elected.

(d) If and when vacancies occur among the offices elected by name, the reserve delegates, in the order elected, shall replace them.

(e) Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

(f) At this same meeting, the Conference Society shall nominate three women for membership on the Board of Missions and forward the names at once to the Jurisdiction Woman's Society.

Section 4. Delegates from the Conference Society to the quadrennial Assembly shall be the Conference president and one other Conference officer, elected by the Conference Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. Other representatives from the Conference shall be the Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild or her representative, and one delegate from each District, who shall be a district officer, elected by the District Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. The expenses of the District representative shall be paid by the Districts.

ARTICLE II.—Vacancies

Section 1. When vacancies among Conference officers, or standing committees occur during the year they shall be filled by the Administrative Committee with ratification by the Executive Committee until the next regular election.

Section 2. When three years or more of an unexpired term of office is filled in a Conference office, it shall constitute a full term of office.

ARTICLE III.—Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Conference shall be composed of the officers, the District Presidents, District treasurers, District secretaries of Promotion, and such persons as the Conference society may determine. A majority shall constitute a quorum. Any member of the Woman's Division, and any Jurisdiction officers residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be members of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the conference shall be the coordinating group for the total educational and promotional program in the Conference and shall determine the officer responsible for publicity in the press.

Section 2. There shall be an Administrative Committee composed of the president, who shall be chairman, the vice-president, the recording secretary, the treasurer, the secretary of Promotion, the secretary of Status of Women and the chairman of the Research Committee. This Committee shall have power to serve as an Ad Interim Committee.

ARTICLE IV.—Funds

Section 1. Itemized expense accounts may be submitted in advance of expenditures or afterwards.

Section 2. Sixty cents per member shall be set aside by the treasurer for the cultivation fund, membership to be based on enrollment as of the end of the fourth quarter of the preceding year. Expenses of officers, speakers at Annual Meetings, expense of Executive meetings, expenses of delegates to Jurisdictional Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, expense for promotional and educational work of the Conference Society shall be paid from this cultivation fund. All monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference Work shall revert to the general fund.

Section 3. Each local society shall include in its budget for District Cultivation, an amount equal to fifteen cents per member, to be remitted to the District Treasurer.

Section 4. District treasurers shall set aside funds each year for the expenses of a delegate to the Assembly.

Section 5. A sum not to exceed $300.00 per year shall be allowed the secretary of Christian Social Relations for the promotion of this department of work in the conference.

ARTICLE V.—Districts

Section 1. Districts shall be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be elected by their respective zone for a term of two years with the privilege of re-election for one additional term. The number of zone meetings to be held during the year shall be determined by the district executive committee. An offering may be taken at each meeting. The leader may deduct any necessary expense of the meeting before remitting to the district treasurer.

Section 2. District officers shall be elected for a term of two years, with the privilege of re-election for one additional term in the same office, with the possible exception of the treasurer, whose term is limited to eight years. One year or more of an unexpired term shall constitute a full term, with the privilege of re-election. The term of all officers shall begin June 1. The outgoing officer shall make the annual report.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the offices shall be divided into two groups, with the election of one group each year. Group number one to be composed of: a president, a treasurer, secretaries of Student Work, Youth Work, Children's Work, Status of Women and Missionary Personnel. Group number two shall be composde of: a vice-president, a recording sercetary, secretaries of Promotion, Misisonary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations, Literature and Publications, Supply Work and Spiritual Life Cultivation. The District Woman's Society of Christian Service shall determine the method of election of its officers. Vacancies occuring ad interim in offices of the Society or chairmen of committees shall be filled by the district executive committee and ratified by the annual district meeting.

Section 3. The district Society shall provide such standing committees as the needs may require, under the guidance of the conference Society.

Section 4. The executive committee of the district shall be composed of the zone leaders, the district officers, and the conference and jurisdiction officers and members of the Woman's Division in the district.

Section 5. There shall be a Committee on Annual Program, composed of the president, the vice-president, the recording secretary, and such other members as may be needed. The committee shall elect its chairman annually.

ARTICLE VI.—Standing Committees

Section 1. There shall be a Standing Committee on Spiritual Life whose endeavor shall be to quicken the spiritual life of all Methodist women by helping them to deepen their prayer life and to increase their sense of responsibility for personal service and giving. This committee shall keep in touch with the spiritual movement of the times and by prayerful research develop a clearer appreciation of the meaning of Christian living. It shall promote Christian stewardship, informal studies and the use of the Bible and other devotional materials. The committee shall devise definite means of permeating the local church with a spiritual power that should lead to deeper consecration and to more active service.

Section 2. There shall be a Standing Committee on Christian Social Relations which may include District secretaries of Christian Social Relations or other specially trained leaders in the field of social action, including the Wesleyan Service Guild members, and members of the department of Christian Relations of the Woman's Division residing within the Conference. This committee shall make recommendations to the Conference Society concerning the work of Christian Social Relations in accord with the lines of work outlined by the Division and Jurisdiction.

Section 3. There shall be a Standing Committee on Study and Action, composed of the secretary of Missionary Education, secretary of Missionary Service, and secretaries of Christian Social Relations, of the Wesleyan Service Guild and of Spiritual Life Cultivation.

It shall be the duty of this committee to consider all plans and recommendations referred to the Conference by the Jurisdiction Committee on Summer Schools and Conferences; to make recommendations concerning the use of approved study courses, joint study courses and cooperative courses. It may recommend also special informal studies in line with major needs. This committee shall develop a correlated program of education and action for the year and make recommendations concerning the same to the Conference Society.

Section 4. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. This committee shall be composed of the treasurer of the Conference, as chairman; the president, the secretary of Promotion, the secretary of Missionary Education, secretary of Missionary Service, the secretary of Christian Social Relations, the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, the secretary of Supply Work, the treasurers of the districts and a limited number of women appointed at the annual meeting of the Conference Society.

This committee shall meet at least semi-annually, and on call of the chairman. It shall study the strength of the society in the local churches, and the pledges made; become informed of Conference income and disbursements, local financial possibilities and problems; and assist by counsel in the forming of the Conference pledge and budget.

Section 5. There shall be a Standing Committee on Status of Women. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the status of women in the local church, the community, the state, the nation and in other lands. The study shall include the bases of Woman's place and the questions that affect her place in society and in the church. The committee shall make recommendations for the Conference Society for the promotion of such lines of activities as will improve her status and enable her to serve effectively.

Section 6. There shall be a Standing Committee on Missionary Personnel, composed of the conference secretary of Missionary Personnel, the secretary of Promotion, the secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, the secretary of Student Work, the secretary of Youth Work, and the women members of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and of the Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division residing within the conference. Others with experience in personnel work may be co-opted.

This committee shall work in cooperation with the committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division. It shall search for consecrated young women of training and experience who may be available for Christian Service; it shall interpret the standards of candiates for the types of service needed; it shall explain to prospective candidates the procedure in making applications to the Board; it shall recommend to the personnel secretary of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board the names of such persons who in the judgment of the committee shall be considered as prospective candidates; it shall cooperate in making plans for visitation within the Conference in the interest of personnel work. The committee shall send an annual report of its activities to the secretary of Missionary Personnel of the Jurisdiction.

Section 7. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any over-lapping, conflicting or unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use in the annual report, a copy of the By-Laws adopted by the Conference, and the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

Section 8. (a) An Advisory Committee shall be set up to help in planning and interpreting the work in the conference where there are one or more Rural Work Projects. It shall be composed of the president of the Conference Society, the secretary of Missionary Education, the chairman of the Board of Missions of the Annual Conference, the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, the chairman of the Town and Country Commission, the District Superintendents of the districts in which Rural Workers are located, and one or more members-at-large. The Executive Secretary of the Town and Country Bureau of the Woman's Division shall be an ex-officio member of the committee. While the committee may make recommendations, the actual decision as to the area in which the Rural Worker shall serve rests with the Conference Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Rural Deaconess shall report quarterly to the Rural Advisory Committee, who shall direct her work.

(b) There shall be set up in each District where there is a Rural Worker, a District Advisory sub-committee, composed of the members of the Conference Advisory Committee residing in the District, and any additional members which the Conference Advisory Committee may wish to add. The sub-committee shall recommend to the Executive Committee of the Conference the advisability of continuing each worker of the District.

Section 9. There shall be a Research Committee consisting of the District Secretaries of Promotion, the Conference Secretary of Status of Women, and such other members as may be needed, with a chairman elected by the Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of this committe to search for specially qualified women in the Conference who may serve as officers and chairmen of the Standing Committees. It shall report its findings when called for, to the Conference Society.

Section 10. There shall be a committee on School of Missions and Christian Service with a chairman and secretary elected annually. This committee shall be composed of the vice-president, the treasurer, the secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education, Missionary Service, Christian Social Relations, Wesleyan Serivce Guild, Literature and Publications, Spiritual Life Cultivation, The Dean, the Assistant Dean and such other members as may be authorized by the Executive Committee. This committee shall plan and promote a Conference School of Missions and Christian Service which shall give emphasis to the world mission of the Christian Church through the integrated program of missionary education, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation and Program Building, and which shall train leadership for the promotion of the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Section 11. There shall be a Standing Committee on Annual Report composed of the recording secretary, who shall be chairman, the president, the treasurer, the secretary, of Promotion, and the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. It shall be the duty of this committee to edit and publish the Annual Report of the Conference Society.

Section 12. There shall be a Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild composed of the Conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild as chairman, the Guild secretary from each District in the Conference, and four representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service within the Conference, two of whom shall be the conference secretary of Promotion and the conference treasurer; the other two to be elected by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, and such additional members as the work demands. It shall be the duty of the Guild Committee to assist the Conference secretary of the Guild in the promotion of Guild work in the Conference.

Section 13. There shall be a committee on Annual Meeting Program, composed of the president, the vice-president, the recording secretary, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild and such other members as may be needed. The committee shall elect its chairman annually.

Section 14. There shall be a Standing Committee on Place of Meeting composed of three members appointed by the Administrative Committee who will serve for a quadrennium. It shall be the duty of the committee to select suitable meeting places for the Mid-Year and Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society and report to the Executive Committee their availability one year in advance of the meeting. Whenever possible the committee shall alternate the meetings between the northern and southern part of the state.

ARTICLE VII.—Amendments

Section 1. Proposed amendments to these by-laws may be made by majority vote at any Annual Meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service provided a thirty day notice is given in writing to the Executive Committee of the Conference, or to the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws; copies shall be made for distribution to delegates.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.

2. All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.

3. Courtesies shall be limited to ten minutes before the noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

1. All communications from the Conference officers, such as circulars, letters, literature, etc., that go to the corresponding officers of the District or local society, the Conference officers are expected to provide postage for same.

2. A Committee on Journal shall be appointed to approve the minutes of the Conference session. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the president and the recording secretary.

3. Standing Committees shall meet for organization before leaving the seat of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum. Expenses for an annual meeting of each standing committee shall be allowed.

4. There shall be a District committee to visit home institutions within the bounds of the District, composed of the District treasurer, and the District secretary of Supply Work.

5. A typist shall be supplied at the Annual Meeting for the typing of committee reports, expense of same to be paid by the Conference.

6. A half hour of each forenoon during the Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to worship.

7. Each District Seminar collection, after local expenses are paid, shall be turned over to the Conference secretary of Missionary Education for the Seminar Cultivation.

8. Representation at Annual Meetings of the Conference shall be one delegate for each hundred members or major fraction thereof. Each society, however small, shall have one delegate.

9. The hostess society for the Annual Meeting shall provide homes for the Conference Executive Committee, and delegates from societies with 20 members or less. Hotel accommodations shall be arranged for delegates from societies with more than 20 members, the expense to be paid by their society.

10. The Conference shall pay expense of Conference president, recording secretary, treasurer and secretary of Promotion at hotel during Annual Meeting.

11. Thirty days before the Annual Meeting the Conference recording secretary shall send to the president of each society in the conference registration cards, which she will fill in the names of the delegates, and with check covering meals, and mail immediately to the chairman of Regstration in the society entertaining the Conference.

12. In view of the fact that the letters have been received from certain business concerns asking the Woman's Division to endorse and promote through its channels their plans to help local societies of Christian Service to make profits by selling their products, we urge a strong statement be sent in reply, refusing such endorsement.

13. Since the Woman's Society has a definite responsibility for support of the program of the Woman's Division, the Louisiana Con-

ference wishes to point out that it is not the responsibility of the Woman's Society officers at the Conference or District level to seek contributions from the Woman's Societies' treasuries for the support of projects which are the responsibility of the Annual Conference or the District of the church.

14. The Program Committee shall meet during or immediately following the Annual Meeting to consider plans for selecting speakers for the next Annual Meeting. Whenever possible, speakers who come from a distance shall be secured to address both the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

15. The conference president may attend the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Division of Christian Service either her first or second year of office at the conference expense.

16. Each officer shall render to the conference treasurer quarterly itemized statements covering office expense.

17. Conference officers in the pattern attending the Jurisdiction School of Missions are each allowed $10.00 subsidy from the Woman's Division and/or the Jurisdiction. District officers substituting for conference officer in the same line of work and meeting all requirements will be allowed the subsidy.

18. Transportation by car for conference officers on official business shall be allowed five cents per mile. Car pools are recommended and care should be exercised to accommodate four persons in a car whenever possible. When conference and district officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild and other riders travel together in a car, each person should share in the expenses of the car; the conference officer charging her pro-rata share to the conference, and the district officer charging hers to the district, and the other riders assuming their share in the expenses of the car.

19. A subsidy of $9.00 per person shall be paid all the district officers of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild and conference chairman of lines of work of the Wesleyan Service Guild in the quadrennial pattern attending and meeting the requirements of work of the Conference School of Missions.

20. Expenses of one car from each district to the Conference School of Missions will be paid by the conference from the point where car pool originates. The district will assume expense of persons to the place car pool originates.

STANDING RULES FOR LOCAL SOCIETIES

1. No new society can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the District treasurer and a period report to the secretary of Promotion.

2. In order that the society entertaining the Annual Meeting may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, meals shall be served by an outside agency.

3. In case any society is not sending a member as delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service that society may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.

4. One-fourth of the membership of the society shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.

5. The president of the society shall be responsible for the calling of an Executive meeting the last of each period, at which time, the reports should be made out and mailed to the District officers.

6. The treasurer of each local society shall send a copy of the total budget to the District treasurer not later than July 15.

7. The secretary of Promotion in each society shall send the Memorial Roll to the secretary of Promotion of the District not later than March 10.

8. Societies having the Circle plan of organization shall shift the membership of circles at least every two years.

9. A report presenting all resolutions and plans adopted should be made by the delegates at the first meeting of the society after the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society.

10. All monies remaining in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year, except those designated for local work, shall be sent to the District treasurer to be channeled by her to the Conference treasurer.

11. All appeals for funds outside the institutions and agencies of the Woman's Division shall be referred to the committee on Finance before being presented to the society.

12. District, Conference and Jurisdiction officers shall be members of the Executive Committee of their local societies.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Standing Committee Meeting

July 19, 1958

The Standing Committee of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild met at Camp Brewer, Saturday, July 19, 1958. Members present were Miss Sue Batton, Miss Arline Tyler, Miss Margaret McGowan, Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Mrs. A. T. Sandefur, Mrs. C. S. Mainous, Miss Maree White, Miss Mildred Evans, Mrs. Earl Nugent, Miss Hazel Cooper, Miss Elizabeth Langford, Miss Marilynn Carter, Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Mrs. J. H. McSween, Mrs. Wideman Watson and a visitor Mrs. Jack Gregory. The Secretary was instructed to send a message to Mrs. F. C. Phillips, member absent.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a. m. by Miss Sue Batton and opened with prayer.

Mrs. McSween reported the Guild had pledged $14,375.00 to the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and of that amount $13,195.00 was pledged to Missions.

Miss Margaret McGowan presented a chart showing the amount of Supply givings by districts for the year ending May 31,1958, totaling $2,735.23. This showed the Supply Askings had been overpaid by $1,397.23. She urged that we increase our pledge to missions instead of overpaying supplies. She stated our Foreign Supply Asking is for Ewha University in Korea and our Home Supply Asking is for National College, Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Sue Batton called attention to the School of Missions at Centenary in Shreveport from August 11-15, 1958. The dates for the Spring Meeting in Baton Rouge have been set for March 7-8, 1959.

Motion was made by Miss Mildred Evans that the Cultivation Fund be increased from 25¢ per member to 30¢ per member beginning with the fiscal year starting June 1, 1958. Motion was seconded and carried. This is in accordance with recommendations made by Jurisdiction.

Miss Margaret McGowan made a motion that Mrs. Wideman Watson be elected to serve as a member at large from the Woman's Society of Christian Service on the Guild Standing Committee. This motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. McSween that Mrs. F. E. Kennon be elected as a coopted member at large from the Woman's Society of Christian Service to serve on the Guild Standing Committee. This Motion carried.

Motion was made by Miss Arline Tyler, seconded and unanimously carried that all Jurisdiction and Division members residing within the Conference be elected to serve on the Guild Standing Committee. These members are Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. Lee Tidwell and Mrs. Sam Dunbar.

The Wesleyan Service Guild Standing Rules were discussed and minor changes were made. Miss Maree White was appointed to make all grammatical corrections necessary and present at the next session.

The meeting was adjourned until 4:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION

The Standing Committee reconvened Saturday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

The Discussion on the Standing Rules was continued. The Standing Rules were approved without opposition after minor changes were made. They were then to be presented to the Conference Body for adoption.

On motion of Miss Elizabeth Langford it was voted that we ratify and affirm the election in Monroe in March, 1958, of Mrs. Minza Rabun as Chairman of the Nominating Committee to serve for four years, and that at the next Spring Meeting four members be elected to serve three years thus setting up the Nominating Committee in accordance with the Standing Rules.

Miss Sue atton announced the Annual Coaching Conference would be held September 13-14, 1958, in Alexandria, Louisiana, the place to be announced later. The Secretary was requested to have copies of the Standing Rules available for the Standing Committee at the Coaching Conference.

Mrs. Kilpatrick announced that a Jurisdiction Convocation would be held in Kansas, City, Missouri, April 7-8-9, 1959.

It was announced by Mrs. Kilpatrick that plans were being made to have a clearing committee for all Mission Tours. She suggested that until this committee becomes active that in planning tours the mission project be contacted and permission to visit requested.

It was requested that when correspondence is sent to local Guilds or lines of work that copies be sent to all Conference Officers.

Miss McGowan moved that Miss Batton be empowered to call a meeting of delegates from Lake Charles District at which time an acting district secretary would be chosen to serve until a permanent secretary could be elected.

MARILYNN CARTER

Recording Secretary

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD WEEK-END

July 19-20, 1958

The Twelfth Annual Week-end of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild convened at Camp Brewer on Saturday, July 19, 1958, at 2:30 p.m. with Miss Sue Batton, Conference Secretary, presiding.

The opening meditation entitled "Prepare Ye the Way" was brought by Mrs. C. S. Manious.

Miss Sue Batton introduced the following: Mrs. Minza Rabun, Camp Counselor; Miss Dorothy Dunbar, Camp Director; Mrs. Louise Baldridge, Craft Director; Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Conference President, Woman's Society of Christian Service; Mrs. Wideman Watson, Woman's Society of Christian Service Member at Large; Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Chairman of Christian Social Relations; Miss Arline Tyler, Chairman of Spiritual Life; Miss Margaret McGowan, Chairman of Supply Work; Miss Elizabeth Langford, Editor of **Guild Tmes**; and Miss Marilynn Carter, Recording Secretary. The following District Secretaries were introduced and they introduced their district lines of work: Mrs. A. T. Sandefur, Alexandria; Mrs. C. G. Mainous, Baton Rouge; Miss Maree White, Lafayette; Mrs. J. B. Thompson, Monroe; Miss Mildred Evans, New Orleans; Mrs. Earl Nugent, Ruston; and Miss Hazel Cooper, Shreveport.

The Approved Studies for 1958-59 were presented with Miss Sue Batton presiding. "A Study of Isaiah" was led by Miss Arline Tyler; "The Middle East" by Mrs. Earl Nugent; "Christian Concerns of our North American Neighbors" by Miss Batton; and "Understanding Other Cultures" by Mrs. E. T. Cowell.

A Membership Skit was presented by members of the Lafayette District.

An Honorary Life Membership was presented to Mrs. T. D. Guthrie, Jr., past district secretary of the Monroe District, by the members of her district.

Evening Session

The Vesper Service at Vesper Point was conducted by the DeQuincy Wesleyan Service Guild.

Miss Lynette Davis, Director of Music, led the group in a song fest.

Slides of the St. Louis Assembly were shown; Mrs. Kilpatrick and Mrs. Watson narrated.

Sunday Morning—July 20, 1958

The day began at Vesper Point with a meditation led by the Reverend Joyner. The meditation was closed with Holy Communion.

The regular morning session convened in the tabernacle with Miss Sue Batton presiding. Introductions of the Reverend Lea Joyner, Pastor, Southside Methodist Church in Monroe and Dr. Vela Cleveland, Missionary to India, were made.

Miss Elizabeth Langford spoke for **Guild Times** and asked that **Guild Times** be promoted in the local Guilds. She announced a goal of 650 subscriptions had been set for this year.

Mrs. Wideman Watson invited everyone to attend the School of Missions at Centenary College from August 11-15, 1958.

A Model Program Meeting was presented by members of the Monroe District with Mrs. T. D. Guthrie presiding.

The business session was called to order by Miss Batton.

On motion of Judge Fannie Burch it was voted that the Standing Rules, tabled at the Monroe meeting in March, be taken off the table

and opened for discussion. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Judge Burch that the action taken on the Standing Rules in Monroe be rescinded. Motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Dorothy Dunbar requested that the Secretary read the Standing Rules as recommended by the Standing Rules Committee and the Guild Standing Committee.

The Secretary read the Standing Rules to the Conference.

On motion of Miss Dunbar it was voted to change the last paragraph to read: "The Standing Rules Committee is empowered to edit and bring these Standing Rules in line wth changes in the by-laws of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Constitution of the Woman's Society of Christian Service."

A moton was made by Miss Dunbar that the Standing Rules be adopted as read by the Secretary and corrected. Motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Lillian Kennedy made a motion that we reconsider the action taken at Monroe to move Guild Week-end to Centenary College in 1959. Motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Dorothy Dunbar made a motion that this be voted in accordance with our by-laws just adopted. Motion carried.

Due to the pressure of time, motion was made by Miss Dunbar and voted, that the question of moving Guild Week-end be acted upon at this meeting.

A motion was made by Miss Kennedy that we rescind the action taken at Monroe to move Guild Week-end to Centenary, and instead, to remain at Camp Brewer.

Each District Secretary polled her district and 68 votes were cast. There were 65 votes cast to remain at Brewer and 3 votes cast to move to Centenary. On motion of Miss Tyler, it was voted to make it unanimous. Carried.

The Secretary read the following recommendations made by the Standing Committee.

1. That the Cultivation Fund be increased from 25¢ per member to 30¢ per member beginning with the fiscal year starting June 1, 1958.

2. That Mrs. Wideman Watson be elected to serve as a member at large from the Woman's Society of Christian Service on the Guild Standing Committee.

3. That Mrs. F. E. Kennon be elected as a coopted member at large from the Woman's Society of Christian Service to serve on the Guild Standing Committee.

4. That all Jurisdiction and Division members residing within the Conference be elected to serve on the Guild Standing Committee. These members are Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Mrs. Lee Tidwell and Mrs. Sam Dunbar.

The Secretary moved the adoption of the recommendations. It was seconded and carried.

On Motion of Mrs. Minza Rabun it was voted to send the offering, to be taken at the 11 o'clock service, after expenses were defrayed, to Missions Undesignated.

Miss Batton declared the Twelfth Annual Guild Week-end of the Wesleyan Service Guild ended and she was given a standing ovation.

Members attended the Worship Service with Miss Arline Tyler presiding and Reverend Lea Joyner gave the morning address.

MARILYNN CARTER
Recording Secretary

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

March 7, 1959

The Standing Committee of the Louisiana Conference, Wesleyan Service Guild met at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, March 7, 1959 at the Capital House Hotel, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Miss Sue Batton, Conference Secretary, and opened with prayer.

The secretary call the roll and the following members were present: Mesdames F. G. Phillips, E. T. Cowell, Alvin Sandefur, Clayton G. Mainous, J. B. Thompson, Earl Nugent, L. B. Kilpatrick, J. H. McSween, Wideman Watson, C. B. McGowan, Glenn E. Laskey, Sam Dunbar, Misses Sue Batton, Arline Tyler, Margaret McGowan, Elizabeth Langford, Maree White, Dorothy Bengtson, Mildred Evans, Hazel Cooper, and Marilynn Carter. Absent were: Mesdames C. W. Tebow, F. E. Kennon, Lee Tidwell, and Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader. The secretary was instructed to send a message to those who were absent.

The Treasurer, Mrs. McSween, gave the financial report and reported the Wesleyan Service Guild had paid $14,206.70 during the first three quarters towards the 1958-1959 Pledge to Missions of $14,375.00. Motion was made by Mrs. Sandefur that Mrs. McSween give her report before the entire Guild body during the afternoon session. Motion carried.

Mrs. McSween explained items 18 and 19 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service Conference Standing Rules which relate to the the Wesleyan Service Guild. Item 18 deals with transportation by car for conference officers on official business and item 19 deals with the subsidy of officers to the Conference School of Missions. Conference Officers entitled to expenses include the conference secretary, chairman of four lines of work, and editor of **Guild Times.** There was a discussion of expenses allowed conference officers. It was agreed a committee should be appointed to study this problem. Miss Batton appointed Miss Hazel Cooper, Mrs. Earl Nugent, and Miss Elizabeth Langford to serve on this committee.

Miss Batton called on Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service President, to speak to the group. Mrs. Kilpatrick expressed her appreciation for the work the Guild is accomplishing and offered to help in any way possible.

Mrs. Sam Dunbar, South Central Jurisdiction Secretary of Supply Work, spoke about the new askings for Supply. These askings are to be released about April 1, 1959.

Miss Batton recognized Miss Dorothy Bengtson, Lake Charles District Secretary, and complimented her on the splendid work she is doing in the District.

Mrs. McSween called attention to the recommendation from the Division that money collected as result of studies be used for appropriations. It was moved by Miss Langford that the Standing Committee recommend to the Conference Guild body that all money collected as an outgrowth of studies be designated for appropriations, that an article to this effect be published in **Guild Times,** and that all district secretaries instruct the local units of this. Motion carried.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, Conference Secretary of Supply Work, was introduced. Mrs. McGowan commented on the Wesleyan Service Guild overpaying the Supply Asking for the year.

The chairman of Missionary Education, Mrs. F. G. Phillips, reported that the Guilds in the Conference had earned 33 Jurisdiction Recognition Certificates for the first eight months of this year and that she was pleased with the methods, procedures, and outgrowths of the studies.

The Guild resource speaker, Miss Lucile Colony, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Division with responsibility for India, Pakistan, and Nepal, was introduced. Miss Colony expressed pleasure in being able to attend our meeting.

Miss Elizabeth Langford, **Guild Times** Editor, gave a brief report on the progress of **Guild Times.** This year has shown an increase of 50 subscriptions making a total of 557 subscribers, but there are sill 20 Guilds in the Conference without a subscriber. Miss Langford urged all officers to send her news and information to publish.

Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Conference Chairman of Christian Social Relations, expressed her desire for a report to be used in securing information from the local units. Mrs. Laskey announced that the report forms are being analyzed for the next quadrennium and that now is the time to send in suggestions.

The use of Prayer Calendars was stressed by Miss Arline Tyler, Chairman of Spiritual Life.

Miss Batton called attention to the tours available for Guild women. A tour to Washington and to the United Nations in New York is planned for June by Mrs. Alice Pletz.

Miss Batton read the amounts to be pledged by each district to the conference. The following pledges totaled $15,170.00: Alexandria District—$1,600.00, Baton Rouge District—$2,300.00, Lafayette District—$950.00, Lake Charles District—$1,800.00, Monroe District—$2,010.00, New Orleans District—$1,950.00, Ruston District—$1,960.00, and Shreveport District—$2,600.00. Upon motion made by Mrs. Alvin Sandefur the pledge was adopted as read.

The budget for 1959-1960 was presented by Miss Batton. After discussion it was moved by Miss Cooper that the following budget be adopted. Motion carried.

Conference Secretary	$ 100.00
Chairmen of Lines of Work:	
Missionary Education	50.00
Spiritual Life	50.00
Christian Social Relations	50.00
Supply Work	50.00
Guild Times	200.00
Mid-Year Standing Committee meeting and Coaching Conference	155.00
Annual Spring Meeting	300.00
Jurisdiction School of Missions	140.00
Division and Jurisdiction Cultivation	105.00
Total	$1,200.00

Miss Batton announced the following committees would be appointed at the afternoon session: a Resolutions Committee with Miss Marie Pace, Chairman, Mrs. E. T. Cowell, and Miss Mildred Evans; the Journal Committee, Miss Maree White, Chairman, to serve with Miss Dorothy Dunbar and Miss Marilynn Carter; Mrs. Louise Roberts, Mrs. Ruth Travis, and Mrs. Lillian Carlin to be appointed Distributing Tellers; Talley Tellers to be named Mrs. Mamie Brazil, Miss Vera See, Mrs. Clovis Watson, and Mrs. J. B. Thompson.

Dates for the following meetings were announced by Miss Batton: Jurisdiction Guild Weekend, June 19-21, and Jurisdiction School of Missions, June 22-26 at Mt. Sequoyah; Guild Week-end at Camp Brewer, July 17-19; and Conference School of Missions at Centenary College in Shreveport, August 17-21.

The Standing Committee adjourned and a luncheon was served.

MARILYNN CARTER
Recording Secretary

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

March 7-8, 1959

The Eighth Annual Spring Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild convened in the sanctuary of the First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 7, 1959, at 1:45 p.m., with the Conference Secretary, Miss Sue Batton, presiding.

Following an organ prelude, the hymn "Eternal God Whose Power Upholds" was sung. The program theme used throughout the meeting was "Immortal Tidings in Mortal Hands." The Conference Secretary declared the Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild in session by the sounding of the gavel.

The opening meditation, "Immortal Tidings" was given by Mrs. Earl Turner, Spiritual Life Chairman of the Baton Rouge District. Dr. Dana Dawson, Jr., host pastor, gave the welcome address.

The Conference Secretary introduced Miss Arline Tyler, Chairman of the Program Committee, who presented the program.

Miss Marilynn Carter, the Recording Secretary, read the following recommendation: that all money collected as an outgrowth of studies be designated for appropriations, that an article to this effect be published in **Guild Times**, and that all district secretaries instruct the local units of this. The Recording Secretary moved the adoption of the recommendation and it was seconded and carried.

The Recording Secretary read the committee appointments as follows:

Resolutions Committee: Miss Marie Pace, Chairman, Mrs. E. T. Cowell, and Miss Mildred Evans.

Journal Committee: Miss Maree White, Chairman, Miss Dorothy Dunbar, and Miss Marilynn Carter.

Distributing Tellers: Mrs. E. E. Roberts, Mrs. Ruth Travis, Mrs. Lillian Carlin.

Tallying Tellers: Mrs. Mamie Brazil, Miss Vera See, Mrs. Clovis Watson, and Mrs. J. B. Thompson.

A count of the voting delegates was made, there being 80 voting delegates present.

Mrs. Minza Rabun, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, read the nominations for the four vacancies on the Nominating Committee. The nominees are: Mrs. Louise Baldridge, Mrs. Emma Chandler, Miss

Dorothy Dunbar, Mrs. Winifred Gregory, Miss Elizabeth Lowery, Mrs. Adele Nugent and Mrs. Maude Wesley. The nominees were requested to come forward and were introduced, all were present except Mrs. Wesley.

Printed ballots were distributed and votes cast. The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count and prepare their report which would be made later.

Miss Sue Batton, Conference Secretary, presented the following Woman's Society of Christian Service officers and guests: Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Louisiana Conference President; Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Member of the Woman's Division; Mrs. Sam Dunbar, South Central Jurisdiction Secretary of Supply Work; Mrs Wideman Watson, Louisiana Conference Secretary of Literature and Publications; Mrs. J. H. McSween, Louisiana Conference Treasurer; Mrs. C. B. McGowan, Louisiana Conference Secretary of Supply Work; Miss Lucile Colony, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Division with responsibility for India, Pakistan and Nepal; Miss Shiela Nuttall, Deaconess, St. Tammany Parish; and Miss Hazel Cooper, Director of Business Girls' Inn. On motion of Mrs. F. G. Phillips those introduced were given a standing vote in recognition for the time and service they have contributed to the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

A vocal solo, "Great Peace Have They Which Love Thy Law," was sung by Mrs. Ralph Shirley.

Miss Sue Batton, Conference Secretary, gave an address entitled "Witnessing," which showed the progress the Guild has made during the year.

Reports were given by the following Chairman of Lines of Work: Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Missionary Education and Service; Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Supply Work; and Miss Arline Tyler, Spiritual Life. At the conclusion of the reports the congregation joined in singing the "Guild Hymn."

A report on the result of the balloting was made. There were 80 votes cast with 3 ballots spoiled. The following were elected to serve on the nominating committee for the next three years: Mrs. Louise Baldridge, Miss Dorothy Dunbar, Miss Elizabeth Lowery, and Mrs. Adele Nugent.

The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. J. H. McSween, assisted by Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Miss Sue Batton, and the eight District Secretaries. During the service Mrs. C. B. McGowan illustrated the messages by placing before the illumined head of Christ a lighted candle, an open Bible, a cross, and a globe of the world, while a quartet sang appropriate hymns. The District Secretaries pledged the following amounts: Alexandria—$1,600.00; Baton Rouge—$2,300.00; Lafayette —$950.00; Lake Charles—$1,800.00; Monroe—$2,010.00; New Orleans — $1,950.00; Ruston — $1,960.00; and Shreveport — $2,600.00. The pledges totaled $15,170.00.

The afternoon session was closed with prayer led by Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, after which the group was entertained with a tea in the church parlor. In charge of arrangements were the Hammond and Ponchatoula Guilds.

A dinner was served at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Center of the First Methodist Church with Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Chairman of Christian Social Relations, presiding. Reverend W. E. Trice gave the invocation; introduction of the guests was made by Mrs. C. G. Mainous. The theme used was "Pass on and Carry Swift the News Ye Bring."

A skit entitled "We Chose Our Mates—This Way" was presented by members of the Alexandria District. The closing prayer was given by Mrs. B. W. Causey, Baton Rouge District Chairman of Christian Social Relations.

Evening Session

The evening session convened at 7:45 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First Methodist Church with Miss Batton presiding. A hymn "O Zion Haste" was sung and then Reverend Hugh Baker led in prayer. Special Music, "O God of Our Fathers" was sung by the Teen-Toners Ensemble.

The speaker for the evening was Miss Lucile Colony, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Division with responsibilities for Methodist mission work in India, Pakistan, and Nepal. Miss Colony told of the work in these lands and for the need of workers in all fields of mission work. She called attention to Dr. Vela Cleveland's immediate departure for India as a pediatrician.

A memorial service was added to the program for the first time this year. The service was conducted by Miss Lillian Kennedy for two Guild members who had passed away during the year. On the platform was a large lighted candle which had been molded from bits of candles gathered from missionaries all over the world. Two candles were lighted from the large candle for Miss Lucille Nesom of Tickfaw in Tangipahoa Parish and Mrs. Margaret Porter of Amite. The service was concluded with a solo, "Sunrise Tomorrow," sung by Miss Lois McGehee.

The Communion Service and the Dedication of Gifts concluded the evening session. The love offering totaled $229.46. Reverend James Ailor gave the closing prayer.

Sunday Morning

A quiet breakfast was held Sunday morrning at 7:00 a.m., at the Capitol House. The theme chosen for the breakfast was "To Love, To Lift, To Light." Hosts to the breakfast were the Ingleside Wesleyan Service Guild of Baton Rouge. Presiding at this session was Miss Arline Tyler, Louisiana Conference Spiritual Life Chairman. The invocation was pronounced by Mrs. Wideman Watson. Mr. Marvin Genuchi sang "The Living God" after which Mrs. William E. Trice gave the morning meditation. The closing prayer was given by Mrs. Joyce Prejean. Then the group was dismissed until 8:20 a.m.

The business session was called to order by Miss Sue Batton, Conference Secretary, who introduced Miss Elizabeth Langford, Editor of **Guild Times.** Miss Langford reported there were now 577 subscribers to **Guild Times** representing 79 Guild units. She expressed her appreciation to the Conference for their cooperation in her task, a labor of love.

Mss Batton announced the following meeting dates: Jurisdiction Guild Week-end, June 19-21, and the Jurisdiction School of Missions, June 22-27 at Mt. Sequoyah; Guild Week-end at Camp Brewer, July 17-19; and Conference School of Missions at Centenary College in Shreveport, August 17-21. Attention was called to the Jurisdiction Guild Week-end deadline for registration. Registration must be in by June 1st and only the first 24 people registering will be allowed to stay on the mountain.

Miss Batton called for nomination of three delegates to Jurisdiction Guild Week-end. Nominated and elected were Mrs. C. G. Mainous, Miss Hazel Cooper, and Mrs. Alvin Sandefur. Then nominations were called for an alternate delegate for the conference secretary to the Jurisdiction meeting. Miss Dorothy Bengston was nominated and elected alternate delegate.

Miss Maree White reported for the Journal Committee. She stated that the committee had reviewed the minutes and found them to be in order.

Miss Marie Pace, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented the following resolution, which was amended to include Mr. Marvin Genuchi, Minister of Music, at First Church.

"We, of the Resolutions Committee, on behalf of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, wish to express our sincere appreciation to all of those who made this Eighth Annual Spring Meeting possible. Especially do we wish to thank Dr. Dana Dawson, Jr., our host pastor, Reverend Hugh Baker, Associate Minister, Reverend James Ailor, Minister of the Parish, Mr. Marvin Genuchi, Minister of Music, and Reverend D. W. Poole, Baton Rouge District Superintendent, Miss Arline Tyler, program chairman, Mrs. Clayton G. Mainous, Baton Rouge District Secretary and her special committees for Registration, Transportation, Information, Banquets, Teas, Breakfast, and Fellowship Hour.

"We especially want to thank the Baton Rouge District Guilds for their publicity for this conference, the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the leadership, guidance and interest they have shown the Guilds.

"We thank our guest speakers for the inspiring messages brought to us. In closing, we thank Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick for her guidance for the past year; and our beloved Sue Batton for the untiring leadership and spiritual guidance and inspiration she has given this conference this past year."

Respectfully submitted,

MISS MARIE PACE, Chairman
MISS MILDRED EVANS
MRS. E. T. COWELL

The floor was opened for an invitation for the meeting next year. An invitation was given by Miss Hazel Cooper, on behalf of the Noel Memorial Methodist Church of Shreveport. Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick and Miss Arline Tyler added to Miss Cooper's invitation. It was moved that the invitation be accepted. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Chairman of Missionary Education, presided during the Missionary Hour which was opened with a hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign," and prayer was given by Miss Margaret McGowan.

The themes for approved studies for the coming conference year were announced by Mrs. Phillips. The themes will be **Africa, The Church's Mission in Town and Country, The Role of the United Nations in World Affairs,** and the **Gospel of Luke.**

Mrs. Phillips introduced Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey, Woman's Division member, who was given a rising vote of recognition. Mrs. Laskey inspired us with her message entitled "Missions and Witness."

Present at the meeting was Dr. Vela Cleveland who was en route to New York for sailing on March 11 for India where she will serve at Ellen T. Cowan Memorial Hospital, in Kolar, India, as a pediatrician under the Woman's Division. Sue Batton presented her with a gift of money which had been contributed by many of those present. Dr. Cleveland thanked the members for their interest in her work and asked for the prayers of all for her work in the foreign field.

A hymn "A Charge to Keep" was sung to close the Eighth Annual Spring Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild which was attended by 283 Guild members and guests. The closing prayer was given by Miss Sue Batton.

MARILYNN CARTER
Recording Secretary

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD STANDING RULES

Voting Membership

The Conference Wesleyan Service Guild shall have the following voting membership:

One delegate from each local Guild for the first 20 members, plus one delegate for each additional 20 members or major fraction thereof. In addition each member of the Conference Standing Committee shall have one vote if present at the meeting; in addition, such members as are determined by Article 3, by-laws of the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild may vote.

The Conference Wesleyan Service Guild shall have a Standing Committee to be composed of:

1. Conference Secretary, Wesleyan Service Guild (Chairman).
2. Conference Recording Secretary, Wesleyan Service Guild.
3. All Wesleyan Service Guild District Secretaries.
4. Chairmen of Conference Wesleyan Service Guild Lines of Work.
5. Editor of **Guild Times** (Coopted member).
6. Conference President, Woman's Society of Christian Service, (ex-officio).
7. Conference Treasurer, Woman's Society of Christian Service.
8. Conference Secretary of Promotion, Woman's Society of Christian Service.
9. Two members at large to be elected by the Conference Guild. Members at large shall be officers or members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
10. All jurisdiction and division members of the Standing Committee residing within the conference.

There shall be at least two regular meetings of the Standing Committee each year.

Meetings

There shall be an annual meeting of the Conference Wesleyan Service Giuld, to be designated as the Spring Meeting. All regular elections will be held at this Spring Meeting. On the years in which the Conference Secretary and the Recording Secretary are to be elected, this Spring Meeting shall be held on the weekend preceding the annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. On all other years, it shall be held either before or after such annual meetings the exact dates to be designated by the Standing Committee.

There shall be an annual Guild Weekend, the date of which shall be determined by the Standing Committee. All necessary business may be transacted at this annual Weekend, including elections to fill vacancies which have occurred since the Spring Meeting.

The Spring Meeting and the Weekend are designated as regular business meetings. If it becomes necessary to transact business at any other time, notice of the holding of such meeting, with the date and the nature of the business to be transacted, must be given to all members of the Standing Committee at least two weeks in advance of such meeting date.

A Coaching Conference for the training of officers shall be planned by the Standing Committee.

Program Committee

The Program Committee for the Spring Meeting and for the Guild Weekend shall be composed of the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, chairmen of all lines of work, and the district secretary of the district in which the meeting is to be held.

The committee shall elect its chairman annually.

Guild Times

The **Guild Times** shall be considered the official organ of the Guild for promotion of its work throughout the conference.

The editor shall be appointed by the Conference Secretary and approved by the Standing Committee at the Spring Meeting in each even numbered year, for a term of two years, subject to reappointment for another two-year term.

Nominating Committee

The conference Nominating Committee shall be elected from a group made up of one representative from each district in the conference and shall be elected as follows:

Each District Guild Committee shall submit the name of one Guild member from its district as a candidate for membership on this committee. From the candidates so submitted, a nominating committee of five shall be elected by vote of the Conference Weslevan Service Guild. The chairman shall be elected from this committee by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild.

The term of office of this committee shall be four years, and its duties are to select candidates for all conference offices, and for vacancies which occur.

Elections

Election of officers shall be held every two years.

The Conference Secretary and the Recording Secretary shall be elected every four years.

So that vacancies in Chairmen of Lines of Work will not all occur in the same year, the Chairmen of Spiritual Life and Christian Social Relations shall be elected at the same time the Conference Secretary and the Conference Recording Scretary are elected.

Two years following these elections, the Chairmen of Missionary Education and of Supply Work shall be elected. The term of office of all Chairmen of Lines of Work shall be four years.

The outgoing officers and chairmen shall make all necessary reports.

Finances

Expenses of the Spring Meeting and of one additional meeting of the Standing Committee shall be paid from the conference cultivation fund.

Expenses of the district secretaries to the Guild Week-end and to the Coaching Conference shall be paid from the district cultivation fund.

The Standing Rules Committee is empowered to edit and bring these Standing Rules in line with changes in the by-laws of the Wesleyan Servce Guild and the Constitution of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

FANNIE BURCH, Chairman
DOROTHY DUNBAR
MRS. GLENN E. LASKEY
MRS. MINZA RABUN

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